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Conservative lobbies minister over impact of proposed changes

MP: Ensure rural schools receive essential funding

By George Welch

ment's schools minister to discuss the the Witney MP added. impact of a proposed national funding of the idea.

October last year following former he said. Prime Minister David Cameron's resignation, met Nick Gibb on Monday principle behind the Government's last week to discuss the impact of the proposals, which aim to ensure that National Funding Formula.

which the government says will ensure to need. similar schools in different areas are March 22.

But the plans coincide with schools were "widely expected" to withdraw the proposals in the face of the protests. all headteachers in west Oxfordshire

In the meeting, Mr Courts discussed with the minister the need for all west to ensure that schools in west Oxford-Oxfordshire schools to have the funding shire are being fully considered at the they need, particularly those in rural highest possible level and to ensure areas which, he said, might be most that their concerns are heard". seriously affected.

nature of west Oxfordshire, which is also a relatively affluent area with low

levels of deprivation, is that many of the rural schools are not sufficiently WITNEY'S MP has met the Govern- rural to qualify for sparsity funding,

After being briefed by the minister change on west Oxfordshire schools, as to how the model was produced, Mr amid criticism and possible revision Courts has proposed a 'bottom line' funding level that will ensure schools Robert Courts, Witney MP since have the essential funding they need,

He added: "I fully agree with the every school and local area, regardless A public consultation on the formula, of location, are fairly funded according

"However, due to the nature of the treated in the same way through the area we live in, I am concerned about redistribution of funding, ends on the impact this will have on west Oxfordshire's schools.

"I agree that funding should go across the country being asked to straight to the frontline, with a sinfind savings of £3bn and The Times gle national formula determining how reported on Tuesday that ministers much funding each school is allocated."

> The Conservative MP has written to "to reassure heads that he was fighting

He added: "I made better education One of the problems of the rural one of my top priorities when I was

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Witney MP Robert Courts with Schools Minister Nick Gibb discussing the impact of proposed funding changes

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Health trust first to be prosecuted by the watchdog

By George Welch

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Sparrowhawk

A CRISIS-HIT NHS trust that failed to properly investigate the deaths of more than 1,000 people in its care has become the first ever to be prosecuted by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) over safety.

The CQC said it is to prosecute the troubled Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust over "an alleged failure to provide safe care and treatment resulting in avoidable harm to a patient and other patients being exposed to a significant risk of avoidable harm".

The trust accepted responsibility in June last year for Connor Sparrowhawk's death after the 18-year-old drowned in a bath at Slade House in Headington, one of its Oxford facilities, in July 2013.

But this prosecution relates to an incident from December 2015 when an unnamed patient suffered serious injuries during a fall from a low roof at the trust's Melbury Lodge site in Hampshire, the CQC said. The case is expected to be heard later in the year by Basingstoke Magistrates' Court.

Southern Health is currently withdrawing all services from Oxfordshire.

The trust, which offers support to people with mental health challenges and learning difficulties, made the headlines repeatedly last year following investigations into the deaths of hundreds of people under their care between 2011 and 2015.

In November the CQC said Southern Health, which has been embroiled with leadership uncertainties, had made "a number of significant improvements" in identifying risks to patients following its September 2016 inspection.

Family man Harry to tackle the marathon

AN OXFORD man whose dream of a family was realised by adopting through Parents And Children Together (PACT) is running the London Marathon to raise funds for the charity.

Harry Routledge, 37, is one of seven runners who will be taking on the iconic 26.2 mile challenge on April 23 in aid of PACT.

Each runner is aiming to raise £1,500 for the charity, which supports families across the south east through adoption, therapeutic support and community projects.

Harry, who with his wife Claire adopted three children through PACT, has already raised £1,490.

He said he has always wanted to run a marathon and was delighted to be able to put on his running shoes to raise funds and awareness for the charity.

Harry added: "Adoption is not easy for all concerned, but it's absolutely worth it.

"We have become the 'Fantastic 5' and owe a part of it to the support we received from PACT, as well as the fact that we would never have been introduced to our daughters and son if it had not been for this charitable organisation.

"To adopt a sibling group of three children is tough, even more so when they are all under four, particularly at once, but they deserved to stay together.



Harry Routledge

"This is why my page, and tagline for life, has become 'Will it be easy? Nope. Worth it? Absolutely!""

PACT chief executive Jan Fishwick said: "We are really grateful to Harry and all our Team PACT marathon runners who are giving up their time to train for the race and raise funds for our work."

Last year PACT placed 91 children with 58 families through its adoption services.

There are currently more than 2,000 children waiting to be adopted in England.

The charity said it is particularly looking for couples or single people, including those from the LGBT community, who can consider adopting.



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work will take place during

Benefit cheat ordered to do community work

A DIDCOT woman has been ordered to carry out 100 hours unpaid work after pleading guilty to claiming thousands of pounds through benefit fraud.

Kyleigh Fisher, 31, of Castle Walk, appeared at Oxford Magistrates' Court on March 3 when she admitted two charges relating to her claims for housing benefit and council tax reduction.

Magistrates heard how Ms Fisher had failed to notify South Oxfordshire District Council that her partner had begun work.

As a result, between March 2014 and June 2016, she wrongly received more than £13,000 in benefits.

In that period she claimed £10,750.47 in housing benefit and £2,322 in council tax reduction.

Ms Fisher was also fined £200 and ordered to pay £185 costs.

Cllr Jane Murphy, SODC's cabinet member for finance, said "If someone on benefits experiences a change in circumstance they must notify us immediately.

"This is so we can check whether or not their entitlement has been affected.

"Benefits are there for those who genuinely need them and we will not hesitate to take action against anyone who we suspect is playing the system."

Drop in to rail upgrade meeting

RESIDENTS of Oxford are invited to a drop-in event to find out more about work at the town's railway station.

Network Rail are planning to replace the existing four sidings with five new ones including better train care facilities on the east side of the railway, just north of Oxford Station.

The vast majority of this

the day, and residents will be informed in advance of any overnight work.

The event is on Tuesday at Jericho Community Centre, 33A Canal St, Oxford, OX2 6BQ from 5pm to 8pm.

More information at www. networkrail.co.uk/runningthe-railway/our-routes/western/great-western-mainline/ oxford/

'I intend to fulfil this promise'

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elected and I fully intend to fulfil this promise, by making positive suggestions as well as fighting for the funds our schools need."

Concerns have been raised over the impact of the changes and the Government is considering a revision after protests across the country.

Peter Cansell, chair of the Oxfordshire Primary Headteachers' Association (OPHTA), said that the value and impact of the scheme needs to be questioned and that his main concern is the "gulf between primary and secondary funding".

He said: "All schools will receive less money per pupil in real terms, because of increased numbers. increased costs and inflation.

"There are likely to be winners and losers from the new formula, but a significant issue which has not been addressed is the gulf between primary and secondary funding.

"Perhaps someone can explain why the intense individual attention given to nursery and primary pupils is less expensive than giving a lecture to a class or year group of older children."

The Department for Education said the schools budget had been protected since 2010 and funding was at its highest in 2016-17.

Woman arrested after boy's body discovered

By George Welch

A MURDER investigation has been launched after the body of a young boy was discovered in Faringdon.

Thames Valley Police officers are currently questioning a 40-year-old woman from Faringdon, who has been arrested on suspicion of murder and remained in police custody as we went to press.

The force was called to Bromsgrove Cottages at 1.20pm on Tuesday to find the child dead on arrival.

Police say the body is that of a young boy of primary school age but have not released further details of what happened.

Senior investigating officer, Det Insp Dave Hubbard of the Major Crime Unit, confirmed a murder investigation has been launched and the family have been informed.

LPA Commander for South and Vale of White Horse, Supt Rory Freeman, said: "This is a very shocking discovery and I am aware it may have a very direct impact on the community of Faringdon.

"In light of this incident there will be an increased police presence in the area to provide reassurance and we would advise any members of the community affected by this incident to



speak to one of the Neighbourhood Policing Team."

Police are appealing for witnesses and urging anybody with any information to contact the force on 101 quoting reference 730 (14/03).

Dozens of tributes have flooded in from residents of the town on the 'I live in the town of Faringdon' Facebook page.

Karen Draper wrote: "News

like this is just devastating to a community and will have a resounding effect for a long time to come.

"However, we should all be very proud of our community spirit. All of the well wishers, people paying their respects and people taking food and drinks to the emergency services.

"We have many reasons to

take great pride in our little

"I truly believe it is how you come through such tragic circumstances that is what counts. R.I.P little man."

Kathryn Culverwell added: "Saddened by the news that broke last night...rest in peace little one... thoughts are with the family, friends and all services involved."



Man police want to speak to

Appeal after cash snatch

POLICE have released CCTV images after linking two thefts in Witney earlier this month.

Thames Valley Police want to speak to the man in the pictures after cash was stolen from a newsagent in Corn Street and a McDonalds in Ducklington Lane.

Between 1.30pm and 2.05pm on March 1 a man entered the newsagents in Corn Street and, when the till was opened, he reached over the counter and stole cash.

At around 11.10am on March 4 a man entered McDonalds in Ducklington Lane and made an order. When the cashier opened the till, he moved to the side of it and snatched cash before fleeing on foot.

Police believe the offences are linked and are appealing for witnesses.

If you recognise the man or witnessed either of the incidents, call police on 101, quoting incident number 43170060972 (Corn Street) or 43170064121 (Ducklington Lane).

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MP 'disappointed' after vote against EU workers

By George Welch

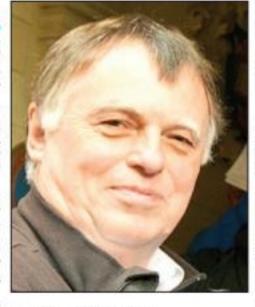
AN Oxfordshire MP has vowed to defend vital services and employment across the county after MPs voted against protecting the rights of EU nationals living in the UK and offering parliament the chance to veto Brexit negotiations.

The country's MPs voted against the proposed amendments by the House of Lords on Monday evening, paving the way for the Government to trigger Article 50 and begin the UK's process of leaving the EU.

MP for Oxford East, was the only Oxfordshire MP to vote against rejecting the amendment and described parliament's decisions as "disappointing" and MPs - Nicola Blackwood vowed to protect Oxfordshire's businesses and services closely John Howell (Henley), Ed Vaizey associated with the EU.

"While I believe it is right to (Witney) - followed the Tory uphold the referendum out- line and voted against the Lords leading academics of 35 Oxford after saying the final Brexit deal come, it is important in so doing amendments. to safeguard the position of our health services, Mini plant and Liberal Democrat candidate university research, which are Layla Moran accused Ms Blackvery dependent on the commitment and freedom to travel of of EU nationals who live in her newspaper, which was signed UK Government is full square EU citizens.

"I shall keep up the pressure



MP Andrew Smith

Andrew Smith, the Labour for recognition in the Brexit negotiations of the strong cultural and economic interest we into negotiations." have locally."

(Oxford West and Abingdon), He told The Oxford Paper: (Banbury) and Robert Courts in the EU".

Oxford West and Abingdon wood of 'betraying' hundreds constituency.

Ms Moran said: "This is a Louise Richardson and the Brexit."

people from the EU in Oxford institution's colleges, the group West & Abingdon as well as urged MPs to back the Lords' their friends, colleagues and amendments and tell Prime neighbours.

"The hundreds of local nurses workers must stay. and doctors from the EU are futures here."

Ms Blackwood said: "While staff. I voted and campaigned for cratic poison.

for the key issues important to to leave." Oxford and Abingdon as we go

be top of the agenda, "it is essen- week. tial that this is agreed alongside

of academics has already begun. continuing to grow.

betrayal of the hundreds of heads of all but three of the Minister Theresa May that EU

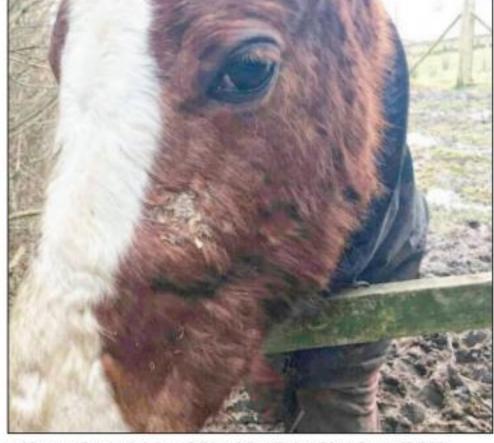
They said: "Oxford University already worried about their relies on EU citizens as lecturers, researchers and support

"Our EU colleagues are not Remain the outcome of this reassured by a government national referendum was clear, which tells them that deportaand to try to reverse the coun- tion is not going to happen but try's decision would be demo- declines to convert that assurance into law; some are worried, "I will continue to stand up some are already making plans

Mrs May is to trigger Article 50 to begin the UK's departure Witney MP Mr Courts added from the EU by the end of this All other five Oxfordshire that, although he 'firmly agrees' month, and she could get the that EU residency rights should process under way from next

And while former Conserva-(Wantage), Victoria Prentis the rights of UK citizens living tive Henley MP Lord Michael Heseltine was sacked as a Monday's vote came after Government adviser last week University colleges pleaded with would be "totally unpredicta-MPs to protect the rights of EU ble", a director from Harwell citizens and claimed an exodus Campus has said the facility is

> In a letter to The Times Angus Horner said: "The by Oxford's vice-chancellor behind Harwell, regardless of



Nursing Denny back to full health will cost Blue Cross £3,000

Charity caring for horse found knee-deep in mud

AN EMACIATED horse has been rescued after being found abandoned knee-deep in mud.

Burford charity Blue Cross is now caring for three-year-old Denny, who had sores on his legs from standing too long in the mud. His hooves were in a terrible state.

He was also found to be riddled with worms and suffering with a rotten tooth, infected sinuses and an abscess on his face.

Vicki Alford, from Blue Cross Burford, said: "We have given Denny worming treatment and he's been prescribed antibiotics to clear up the infection it must be so sore. But he will soon need surgery to remove his rotten tooth.

"He's been put on a specialist feeding regime to introduce proper nutrition to his diet and he'll require around the clock monitoring during his recovery.

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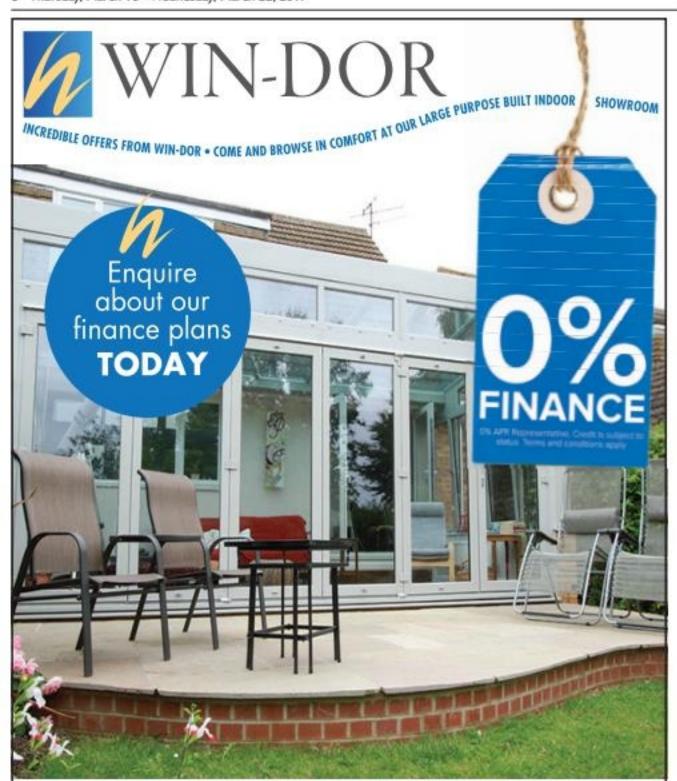
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School's tribute to women inspiring pupils to achieve

By George Welch

PUPILS and staff at a Moulsford school marked last week's International Women's Day by saying thank you to the inspirational women in their lives.

Cranford House School commemorated last Wednesday's celebration day of all things female by writing the names of their heroes on a whiteboard and posing for a snap in a specially constructed frame.

And with everyone from mums, sisters and grandmas to famous figures getting a mention, the school said the day "proved a real celebration of the special women who make a difference to us all".

Perhaps unsurprisingly, mums received the largest share of the vote, but the children also named historical female figures, artists and sportswomen as inspirations, alongside many of their Cranford House teachers.

Year 8 pupils Amelie Lawrence Bristow and Alanna Webb said: "Women fought for us to have the right to vote, be educated and work.

"International Women's Day is important as it celebrates their contribution and how far we've come."

Among the famous women to receive a special thank you from the school were film star Emma Watson, Afghan women's rights activist Malalai, civil rights icon Rosa Parks, retired British sailor Ellen MacArthur, gymnast Claudia Fragapane, and Mother Theresa.

Assistant head (academic), Christine Ellis, said: "The theme of this year's International Women's Day is 'Be Bold for Change' and changing the world often comes from igniting small individual sparks of change.

"I want our pupils to look at the lives and achievements of inspirational women and say, "Yes, women can! I can! I can be who and what I want and reach as high as is humanly possible."

The English department also marked the day with the launch of a creative writing competition called 'With These Hands', challenging senior pupils to imagine all the things their hands will do for them in the future.













Bus strikes called off after talks

TWO additional dates for bus strike for working on two legally recog- tor of Oxford Bus Company, said: tive" talks.

pany routes.

According to the union, bus dispute". bosses refused to pay drivers extra

action across Oxfordshire have nised bank holidays over the festive "We're pleased to announce that, been suspended following "posi- season, which meant drivers lost following several talks with Unite £100 a day.

Crowds of people lined the But after talks between ACAS - agreed to suspend its strikes. streets on March 2 and 6 in a dis- an organisation that helps resolve pute regarding Christmas bank employment disputes- and Unite, tomers, and we apologise for any holiday pay, and two further dates Oxford Bus Company announced inconvenience that has been expeon March 17 and 24 had been sched- it has "agreed a framework with rienced to date. uled by Unite for Oxford Bus Com- the trade union to move towards

Phil Southall, managing direc- resume talks."

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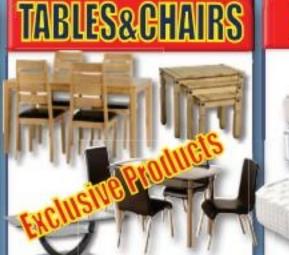




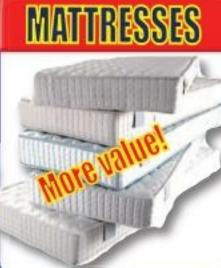




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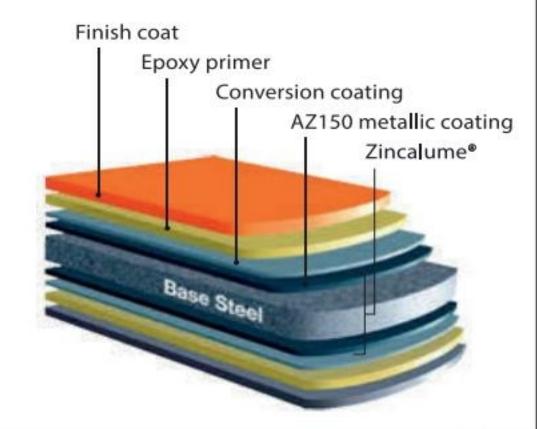
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Cabinet says yes to proposals for unitary council

By Eva Astreinidou

PLANS to abolish the current six-council structure and trans-(OCC).

At a cabinet meeting on March 14, OCC formally gave posal puts local government on Oxfordshire residents and found the go-ahead to the deci- a sustainable financial footing that 82 per cent had little or no sion to submit the unitary bid for the future. to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Govern- tus quo is a decision with real ment.

'A new council for a Better Oxfordshire' is a joint proposal he said: "I do regret that the unitary council proposals would by OCC, South Oxfordshire and remaining city and district coun-impact them and their area. Vale of White Horse district cils continue to reject our invitacouncils.

It comes after resistance from the three remaining councils invitation to do so." Cherwell, Oxford City, and West to the restructure.

Ian Hudspeth said: "Some peo- the NHS. ple who oppose change have

democracy. Actually, the oppo- structure improvements when site is true.

"Without change to the way form it into a unitary 'Better local government is run, we face missioned market research Oxfordshire' have been approved more years of salami slicing as company Ipsos MORI to gauge by Oxfordshire County Council central government funding is the opinion of residents to the

"The Better Oxfordshire pro-

downsides."

tions to work together.

Oxfordshire, who in the run-up to 'missed opportunity' to join up urged to show support against the decision had launched peti- services like housing and social the unitary move. tions and surveys in opposition care and said that a unitary council would maximise the abil- council, said: "It is not possible to In the meeting, OCC leader ity of public services to work with pull one council off the see-saw

chosen to present the proposal investment fund would mean their plans clear."

as a threat to services and local that the unitary could fund infrathe government cannot.

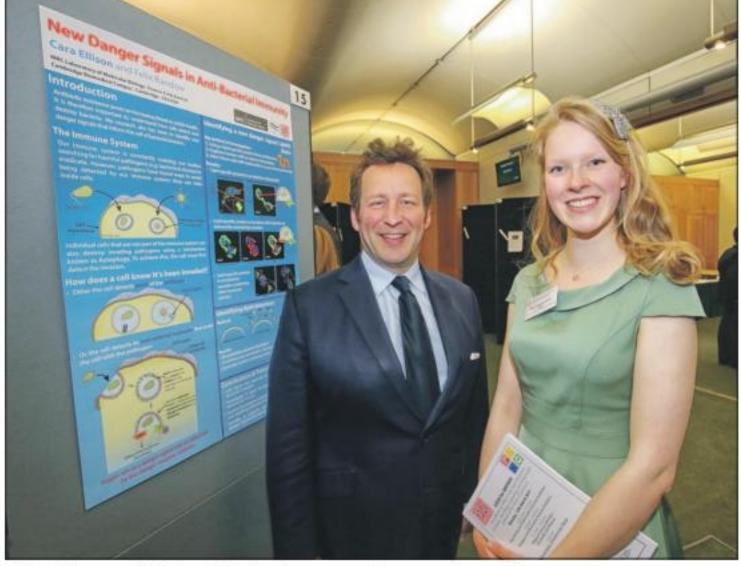
The opposing councils comproposals.

Ipsos MORI contacted 1,950 understanding of the unitary "In contrast, choosing the sta- county council proposals.

Almost three quarters (68 per cent) said they did not have suf-Speaking on the opposition, ficient information about how the

Before the meeting on Tuesday, people in South Northamp-"Let me sincerely repeat the tonshire, whose residents and businesses share services with He added that it would be a Cherwell district council, were

Cllr Ian McCord, leader of the and jettison the other in the air, He said access to a £1bn local OCC must come clean and make



Cara Ellison met Ed Vaizey MP when she presented her research to parliament

Cara wows MPs with virus thesis

A FORMER Abingdon schoolgirl has presented her PhD research to a team of MPs and experts in parliament.

Cara Ellison, who went to St Helen and St Katharine School in Faringdon Road, handed her work on antibiotic resistance to politicians and judges on Monday as part of a STEM for Britain competition.

The 25-year-old, who grew up in Letcombe Regis, near

Wantage, created a poster about her studies, which was judged alongside other students' work. She said she "thoroughly enjoyed presenting and discussing" her work.

Cara has just completed her third year as a PhD student at the MRC-Laboratory of Molecular Biology (LMB) in Cambridge and is currently writing her thesis.

She said: "Initially I expect

to be a postdoctoral researcher at the LMB."

She said she was inspired to undertake her research as she is "fascinated by the way tiny bacteria and viruses have evolved to invade, hijack and destroy cells".

"This interest led me to embark on a PhD uncovering new ways in which cells detect invasion by bacteria and viruses."





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New offices anchor park as a science destination

By George Welch

for the expansion as construc- agents. tion gathers pace.

1,000 jobs.

Ground breaking

month to prepare for building to start

work at Milton Park last

With ground now broken at the site of one of Oxfordshire's larg- with filling the new offices, with grow and will offer the oppor-THE owners behind a £24m pro- est speculative developments, work on the building expected to tunity for MEPC to welcome new ject to build an office and labora- MEPC last week announced finish by the end of the year and companies to Milton Park who tory development at Milton Park Knight Frank and VSL and the two remaining buildings due we know will be in good company have appointed its joint agents Partners as the scheme's joint to be completed in spring 2018. with the existing science cluster

Work at MEPC's Park Drive to satisfy office and laboratory permission since the EU refer- the world's premier university East development, located space in the county, will be endum and will be the largest at Oxford continues to anchor towards the eastern end of Mil- comprised of three separate in Oxfordshire's recent history, Milton Park as a destination for ton Park, began last month, with buildings totalling 110,000 sq ft MEPC said. the venture expected to take 12 and will include an office buildmonths to complete and create ing and two hi-tech laboratory Philip Campbell, said: "Launch-ness." facilities.

The development was one mix here. Park Drive East, which aims of the first to secure planning

ing this scheme will pave the

The agents have been tasked way for existing residents to

"MEPC's close links with science and technology and a MEPC's commercial director, premium destination for busi-

> Ryan Dean, partner at Knight Frank, said: "Park Drive East is a major development for Milton Park and we are excited to be working with the MEPC team.

> "I am confident that these fantastic buildings, in this worldclass business location, are already attracting good interest.

> "There is currently a lack of existing options of this size in the marketplace and these buildings will fit the bill perfectly."

Tom Barton, partner at VSL, added that they "have already had a good level of interest".

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 Council leader Ian Hudspeth tucks into his pie (Picture courtesy of @ianhudspeth)

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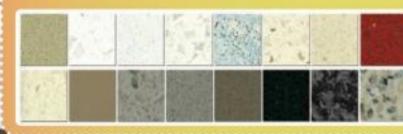
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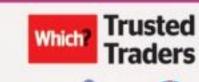








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Will there be a brilliant Matt finish for charity?

By George Welch

ready to lace up his trainers

Matthew Hambridge, 35, who to his heart. works at Cottsway Housing Play2Give (P2G).

on Sunday to support P2G's £10k the hospital was opened in 2007. to do so for years to come." in 10 appeal.

Children's Hospital at the John patient, Andrew Baker. A DAD-OF-THREE is getting Radcliffe Hospital in Headington.

and pound the streets of Read- half marathons, completed last I entered a team, and also by accommodation unit, specialised ing this weekend to support an October's Oxford Half Mara- knowing Dale Harris over many medical equipment and new play Oxfordshire fundraising organi- thon and has supported P2G for years, whose 14-year-old daugh- areas. sation that changes young lives. a number of years, a cause close ter Mya has been treated by the

Association in Witney, is step- P2G helped the group achieve in some way. ping up to take on his second half a £40,000 target to sponsor its marathon in five months to raise room on the teenage ward at the ple of charity matches as well for many years, is also gearing funds for our charity of the year, children's hospital, which also as foregoing shaving for a month up for his own running mission Matt, from Witney, aims to con- medical equipment, entertain- bands as P2G's merchandise to next month's London Marathon quer the Reading Half Marathon ment, and medical research after help raise funds and I'll continue to raise money for the Children's

Matt said: "I became inspired towards the group's 10th anni- ing ethos of P2G after meeting tinyurl.com/hfq5odb.

over the years helped pay for vital for 'Movember'. I help sell wrist- as he prepares to take part in

Matt hopes to raise £200 for

versary fundraising for the the founder and former Chox Funds he raises will support P2G's aim to help the Chil-"I met Andrew in 2009 at a dren's Hospital raise £2million Matt, who is no stranger to football tournament for which this year to fund a new parental

The 13.1-mile gruelling run on hospital since day one for spina Sunday starts at Green Park and His efforts to raise funds for bifida, so I wanted to be involved finishes at the Madejski Stadium.

> Craig Harris, of Bicester, "I have also played in a cou- who has helped the P2G team Hospital.

To donate to the charity's Money raised will be put to support the work and fundrais- P2G and can be sponsored at 10-year appeal, visit tinyurl.com/ zksd8xx



preparing to run 13.1 miles

Countdown is on for fun-filled football fiesta



THE countdown is well and truly under way to a match of the day to remember as Play2Give (P2G) launches the fifth edition of its fun-filled football tournament.

The six-a-side kids football tournament returns on July 16 as the charity, founded 10 years ago by Andy Baker, aims to net funds for the Children's Hospital, based at the John Radcliffe.

The tournament - sponsored for this sixth year running by estate agents Breckon & Breckon - is now open to boys' teams across the ages of under 13s and under 14s.

This year's event will help P2G with its £10k in 10 appeal, and all proceeds raised for the Children's Hospital will, as well as funding new play areas and specialised medical equipment,

help fund the building of a new 60-bedroom Ronald McDonald House adjacent to CHOX for parents, allowing them to stay closer to their sick children.

It is hoped up to £5,000 could be scored at the football-frenzied event, to be hosted at Oxford City Football Club in Marston.

The tournament, which has been P2G's key main event since its creation in 2007, has in the past seen men's teams also compete, and is one of the favourite fundraising fixtures in the county's calendars.

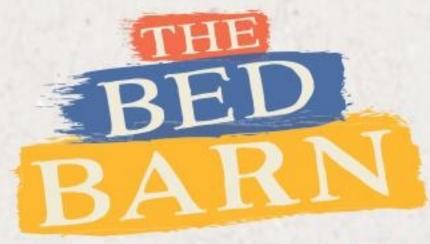
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Children give police a lesson in being young

SCHOOLCHILDREN from north Oxfordshire have given their view on how to tackle issues facing young people.

Seven schools from across the Cherwell district took part in the initiative, called Have Your Say Day, at the council's Bodicote headquarters.

Children were split into groups and given a £30,000 budget to identify an issue they wanted to resolve and come up with a solution.

Pupils presented their plans to a judging panel made up of police officers, councillors and North Oxfordshire MP Victoria Prentis. Among the issues was online safety, bullying and after-school activities.

The winning team was from Warriner School, who proposed a 'Litterbug App' as a fun, interactive way of encouraging a cleaner community.

Ms Prentis said: "I thought it was interesting to see the students had picked up on some very important matters, including problems with litter in our local area and mental health issues.

"It is vital children feel a sense of ownership of their local communities and the event was a great way to make this happen."

Inspector John Batty, Cherwell Neighbourhood Inspector, said: "Engaging with the police and helping shape policing priorities is all part of being a good citizen. The earlier we as public bodies can enable this, the better."

Cllr Tony Ilott, Cherwell's lead member for public protection, said he was "truly impressed by the children's passion and commitment throughout the day".

Developers clash over new homes

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By Samantha McGregor

PLANS to start work on phase two of Bicester's eco town have been recommended for approval by council officers.

Portfolio Property Partners want to build 1,700 homes, a retirement village, a school, community facilities and an energy centre at Himley Farm, off Middleton Stoney Road.

But concerns have been raised about the impact on traffic in Howes Lane, Lords Lane and Bucknell Road.

There are plans to realign Howes Lane and build a tunnel under the railway embankment to join Lords Lane and Bucknell Road, but lead eco town devel- up to the 900 limit. oper A2Dominion has yet to get Rail.

It is in negotiation with the rail firm to buy the land so the tunnel can be built. The council report said A2Dominion expected work on the tunnel to start towards the end of 2019.

Because the roads are almost Council has imposed a limit of ligned Howes Lane is in place.

the road improvements has also ity instead.



The current eco town site off Banbury Road

caused a clash between A2Dominion and Portfolio Property before 2019. Officers recom-Partners over who should be mend the firm should only be allowed to build new homes first allowed to build 500 at Himley

Eventually there will be The council offers report North West Bicester.

It hopes to get permission for a gresses at a 'normal' pace. further 507 shortly.

at capacity Oxfordshire County ners doesn't believe A2Do- 500 homes could be accom-900 new homes before the rea- quickly enough before the transport impact beyond that tunnel is in place and thinks it already accepted by 2019." The delay in starting work on should be given the extra capac-

It wants to build 680 homes Farm until the tunnel is built.

the green light from Network 6,000-homes at the eco site at said: "It is recommended that the development at Himley Vil-A2Dominion has full plan- lage progresses as quickly as ning approval for 393 homes at predicted by the applicant and Elmsbrook, off Banbury Road that delivery of development - so far 90 have been occupied. across the rest of the site pro-

"It is the view of officers that But Portfolio Property Part- a first phase of development of minion would build the homes modated on the site without a

Councillors are due to decide tonight.

News Bites

Smoke shock

N OXON: A woman returned home to find her property filled with smoke.

Firefighters quickly dealt with the incident in Barford St Michael, near Deddington, last Thursday.

Crew manager Mike Aspinall, from Banbury Fire Station, said: "The family were very lucky no one was in at the time. If this was the early hours of the morning it could have been a completely different outcome."

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BANBURY: Allotments are available at Sinclair Avenue for people who want to grow their own fruit, vegetables or flowers.

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Cllr Colin Clarke, chairman of the town council's general services committee, said: "Now is the perfect time to take over an allotment.

"The land can be prepared in time for seeding, which will provide fresh produce later in the year."

Book signing

N OXON: Oxfordshire-based author Jan Harvey will be signing copies of her debut novel, The Seven Letters, at The Manor, Weston-on-the-Green, at 7pm on March 30.





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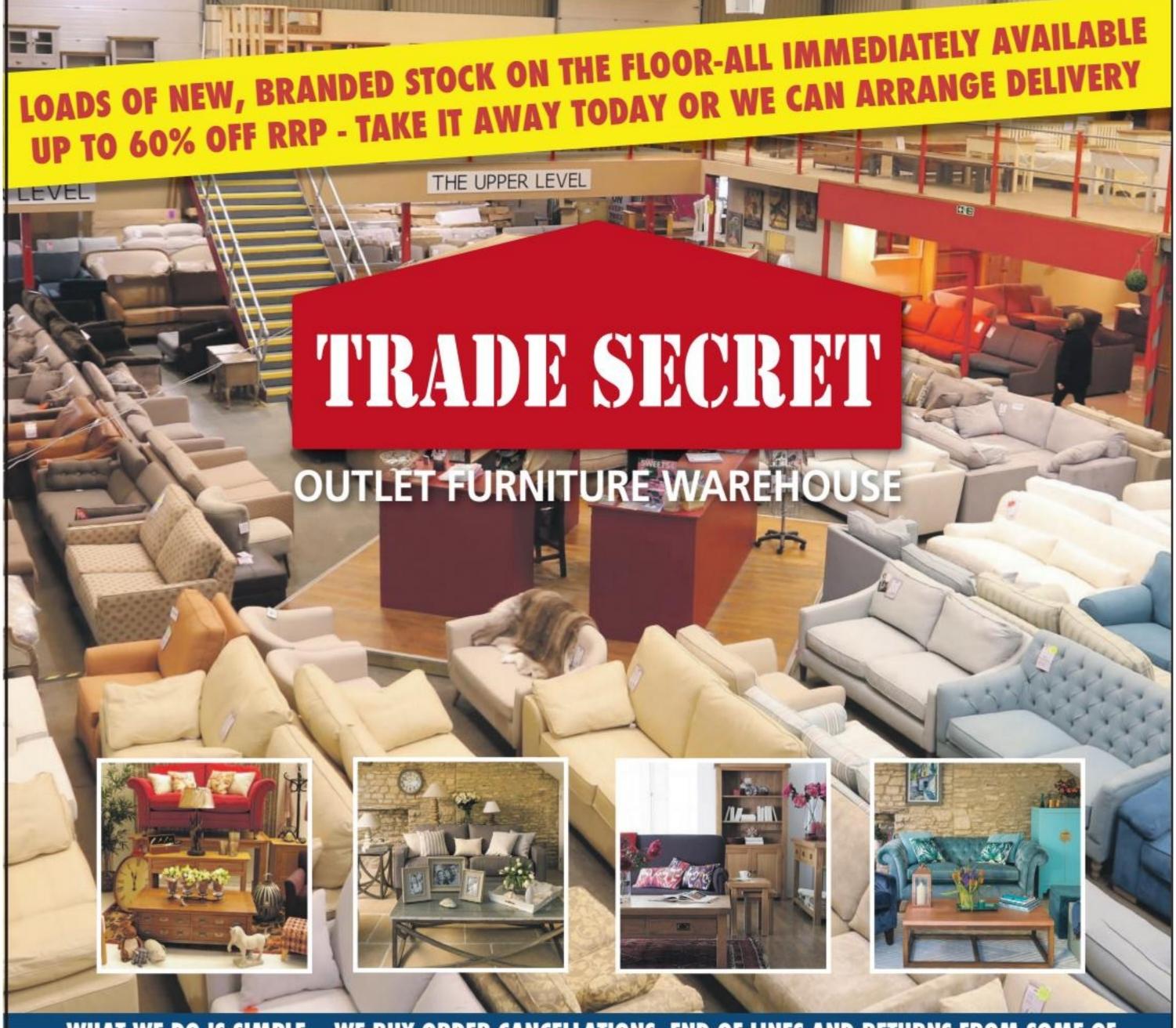


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'Shocked' Chloe is crowned county's finest apprentice

By George Welch

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Chloe Penniston, a legal ser-

Chloe was also named This included Gemma Tuckey, shire have been celebrating Advanced Apprentice of the who won the Special Recogniafter the county's first ever Year and was chosen as the tion Award as a business adminapprenticeship award cer- overall winner by sponsors istration apprentice at Oxford-Darke & Taylor because "she shire County Council, and The inaugural Oxfordshire is an inspirational apprentice, horticulture apprentice Sasha Apprenticeship Awards rec- dedicated to her role and her Fraser, who was rewarded for ognised the best talent in the team, who has quickly become her work at Oxford City Council. county with a special presenta- an integral part of the business tion evening on Wednesday last and a role model both for her for best Training Provider, over-

The celebration of the Chloe, who said she was still Training and construction speachievements of local employ- in shock the following morning cialists ACE Training. ers, training providers, schools said it "has been an amazing Di Batchelor, principal at

have thought that I could win apprentices alike. She said it The new awards enabled two such brilliant awards. The was "a very good night for the Oxfordshire Apprenticeships, whole evening was such a fan- college" and that she felt "very this opportunity."

vices apprentice at The Burn- College won the School Award, nominated for awards, is a testaside Partnership, a boutique Abingdon & Witney College also ment to everyone's hard work private client law firm based had much to cheer about as the and determination to achieve in Combe, west Oxfordshire, college and its apprentices came success."

won the Apprentice of the Year away from the evening with a haul of three trophies.

The college also won the prize coming stiff competition in the On winning her awards, form of Wallingford-based Jewel

Abingdon & Witney College, ing the 10th National Appren- She added: "I would never was full of praise for staff and

She added: "The fact that we provider in the county, and that While Faringdon Community so many of our apprentices were



Double award winner Chloe Penniston, a legal services apprentice at The Burnside Partnership



Chainsaw-wielding firefighters to clear fallen trees in new trial

By George Welch

A TRIAL has been launched to help improve the collection of fallen trees across Oxfordshire in an attempt to improve safety and save money.

Oxfordshire County Council's (OCC) experiment will mean dangerous fallen trees will be removed from the county's roads by the fire and rescue service instead of private contractors.

At the moment the county council's contractors deal with all fallen trees but council chiefs believe that in many circumstances a "blue light" response will be able to restore safety and traffic flows quicker, as well as saving money.

The work will be carried out by OCC's Fire and Rescue Service chainsaw trained firefighters from the Specialist Rescue Team and will take responsibility for dealing with any tree that falls on the highway.

County councillor Rodney Rose, deputy leader of OCC, time, maintain safety and save said: "The Fire and Rescue money." Service is an integral part of to benefit residents if it can save owners.



Firefighters work to deal with removing fallen trees from roads. Pictures: OFRS

The council will still have County councillor David they can help with is quite broad. access to its current tree con- Nimmo Smith, cabinet member "I will be keen to see the Only trees that fall on roads tractors who will carry out for environment, said: "Resi- results of the trial as it has the the county council and it makes are to be dealt with by the fire ser- emergency work in the event dents will know all about the potential to provide a faster and sense that they should use our vice. Trees on private land will of high numbers of trees down work that our crews do to res- more efficient service." specialist skills and resources remain the responsibility of the or if the fire and rescue service cue people and put out fires, but is lacking sufficient resources. clearly the range of things that speeds of 94mph last month.

Around 100 trees fell in wind

Theatre gets £10,000 for child literacy

PRIMARY school children in Oxford are being encouraged to get creative after an independent theatre received a £10,000 grant to increase youth participation.

The money has been given to the Oxford Playhouse by Oxford City Council, which said it would be used "to improve literacy, develop storytelling, encourage imagination and introduce young people to theatre".

A programme to help youth participation, called Primary Playmaker, has so far delivered 10 workshops in six Oxford primary schools to support groups of Year 5 and 6 pupils to create a 10-minute play.

The programme and workshops, which have been taking place since September, are being led by award-winning children's playwright Renata

The participating schools are Bayards Hill, East Oxford, New Hinksey, St John Fisher, St Michael's and Windale.

Two plays from each school will be performed by professional actors at the Playhouse, on Beaumont Street, on March 29 from 1pm. The performances will be part of the Young Players festival, a week-long celebration of work created and performed by young people.

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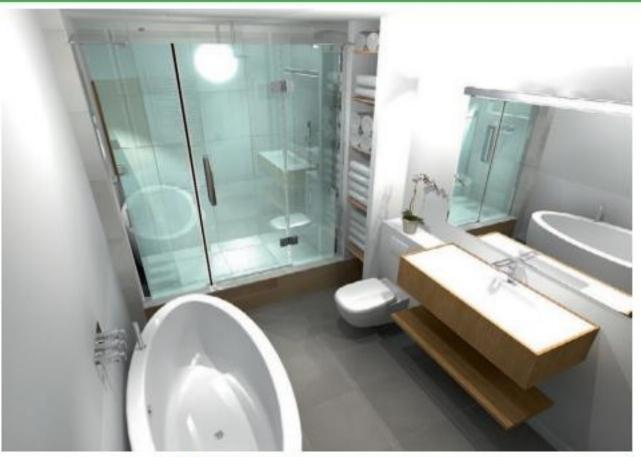
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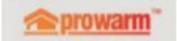


















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Two cut free as car hits tree

TWO elderly people had to be rescued using specialist equipment when their car veered into a row of trees.

The Vauxhall left the road in Concord Avenue at around 5.30pm on Saturday, leaving both the driver and passenger trapped on a small grassy verge outside Spiceball Leisure Centre.

Crews needed to use cutting equipment to remove branches before the occupants could be freed. Both were unharmed.

After an assessment by paramedics, the pair were given the all clear and were rescued from the vehicle.

Road safety manager Mick Clarke, who attended the incident, said: "It is not apparent why the accident happened but fortunately no one was injured and all three services worked quickly to ensure the safety of those involved.

"Both occupants were taken to the Horton Hospital for a full medical assessment."



Four prizes a boost for 'vibrant' centre

By Samantha McGregor

THAME has won four prizes at a ing town centres.

All four will give practical help the town.

lier this month was attended by 80 profile.

representatives from towns and cities across the UK.

regional conference aimed at boost- who are steering group members of visitor attractions. 21st Century Thame, represented

and support to businesses in The four prizes, funded by spon- advice on how best to use data to Thame to foster a "vibrant town". sors of the Local Legends Confer- support growth. The Revive & Thrive Local Leg- ence, are all aimed at improving the ends Conference in Cheshire ear- town centre and building Thame's the Local Legends awards, will



Sonja Francis and Helen Johns represented Thame at the conference

They include work by Global Treasure Apps, who will develop a Sonja Francis and Helen Johns, free treasure trail guide to Thame's

There will also be marketing support, a digital health check and

Revive & Thrive, who set up produce a special issue of Place magazine to promote every aspect of Thame.

Town centre co-ordinator Becky Reid said: "This is a fantastic boost for Thame, following our recent success in the Great British High Streets Competition.

"These great prizes will help us continue the journey to ensure Thame is the best of market towns for residents, businesses and visitors."

Sue Martin-Downhill, chairman of 21st Century Thame, said: "Working in partnership with Thame Town Council, South Oxfordshire District Council, local businesses and community groups, we aim to protect Thame's past while promoting its future as a vibrant town serving the whole community.

"These prizes will help us achieve these goals to benefit all."

Kebab van the best

THAME: A Thame kebab business has come out top in a national awards.

Atalay's kebab van won 'Kebab Van of the Year' at the British Kebab Awards las month.

The awards took place at a ceremony in London and were hosted by Radio 1 DJs Scott Mills and Chris Stark.

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Town clean-up

BANBURY: The south side of Banbury is once again sparkling after it was given a spring clean by council staff.

Cherwell District Council workers spent a week last month clearing up litter, flytips and graffiti at Calthorpe and Easington.

In total 26 tonnes of waste was removed

The next blitz is scheduled to take place at Langford Village, in Bicester, next week.

Flying the flag

THAME: Residents are being urged to design a flag as part of a competition launched on Monday.

Designs should use the town council branding, colours and

The idea is that the flag will be flown continuously outside the council office.

The competition closes on April 10. For a design pack view thametowncouncil.gov.uk/flagcompetition

Competition

WIN family tickets to Gulliver's

Eggs-travagant Easter fun for everyone at Gulliver's this spring!

WE'VE teamed up with Gulliver's family theme parks to give away 3 family tickets for unforgettable days shows and attractions to discover, all out this Easter.

Throughout Gulliver's Easter Extravaganza, there are lots of 'eggstra' special activities planned food on offer. at Gulliver's World in Warrington, Gulliver's Kingdom in Matlock Bath and Gulliver's Land in Milton Keynes.

Over the four day Easter bank holiday weekend there will be some very special appearances from the Easter Bunny plus amazing entertainment for you and your little chicks. Join the Gully Gang and enjoy Easter themed competitions and entertainment on the main stage, including the Easter Bunny Parade and the ultimate in springtime fun - the Big Bunny Bounce!

Gulliver's theme parks are open daily throughout their Easter Extravaganza which runs from 1st to 23rd April*, with a super selection of rides,

Closing date: Friday, March 24.

devised for children aged two to 13.

Car parking is always free at Gulliver's and there is a great selection of



For full details of opening times and to book, visit www.gulliversfun.co.uk.

Win tickets

To be in with a chance of winning a family ticket for four people to visit Gulliver's this Easter, answer this simple question.

Q: Which of these young animals isn't associated with Easter?

Bunny, Chick or Kitten?

T&Cs apply. See online entry form for details.

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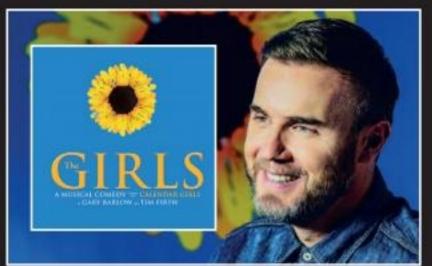
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Quick Clues Across

- 4 Female relative (6)
- 8 Sang (7)
- 9 Terrified (6)
- 10 Transmitting apparatus (9)
- 11 Strip of fabric (4)
- 13 Prepares for publication (5)
- 14 Liberty (7)
- 16 Start a guarrel (7)
- 18 Flood (5)
- 19 Consumes (4)
- 21 Nomads (9)
- 22 Expenditure (6)
- 23 Group (7)
- 24 Highest points (6)

Quick Clues Down

- Collies (9)
- 2 Shareholders (9)
- 3 Cheerful (5)
- 5 Move very slowly (4)
- 6 Fine cord (6)
- 7 Buy back (6)
- 9 Recreational activity
- 11 Moderate (9)
- 12 Coming after (9)
- 15 Attempt (5)
- 16 Dawn (6)
- 17 Kindly (6)
- 20 Notions (5)
- 21 Grow dim (4)

Scribble space

Cryptic Clues Across

- 4 Frightened in Biafra, I dare say (6)
- 8 Claimed to get the point (7)
- 9 An eavesdropper of low degree (6) 2 Trots back and died without (9)
- 10 An everyday remark showing restrained breadth (9)
- II Was Goliath keen to behead his opponent? (4)
- 13 Behead the guard to gain
- admittance (5) 14 Do they till the soil beyond distant French seas? (7)
- 16 He doesn't enjoy life, producing vinegar all around the south
- 18 Inclined to soak (5)
- 19 Looks as though she would provide shelter (4)
- 21 Give us our part to be carried away 16 A team's undertones? (6)
- 22 Curtail the action before the writer 20 Here's a mixed toast to the furry can make it more profound (6)
- 23 Forbid one as fruit (7)
- 24 Are its ingredients wholly ironic? (6)

Cryptic Clues Down

- I Helpers in disarray pour out again
- 3 Superfluous midriff, by the sound of it (5)
- 5 Watch this for the time being (4)
- 6 A recess in rural Coventry (6)
- 7 Is frightened of disturbing the snakes
- 9 I do business with a model (5)
- 11 City for the Dutch master mad about a new movement? (9)
- 12 Not even abnormal (9)
- 15 Does the prima donna begin her note on the couch? (5)
- 17 Join me in the money (6)
- animal (5)
- 21 Bring up, or it could be brought up

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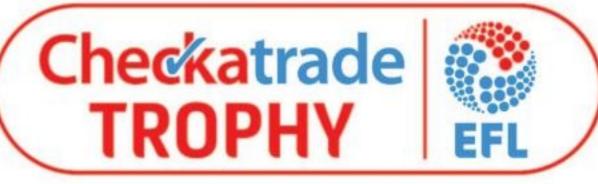
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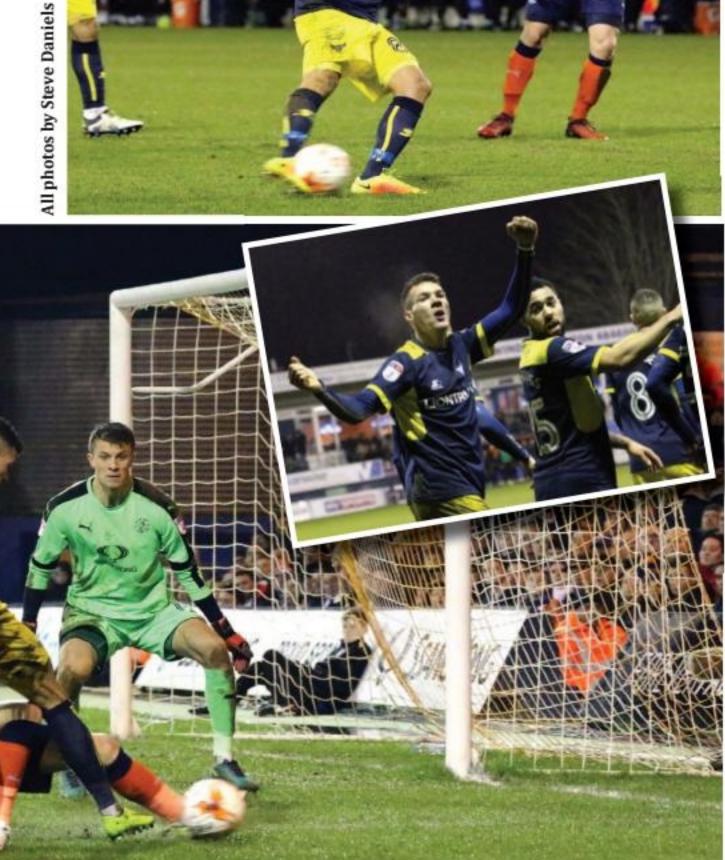
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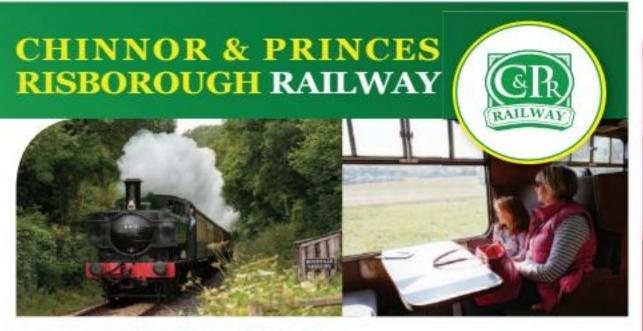


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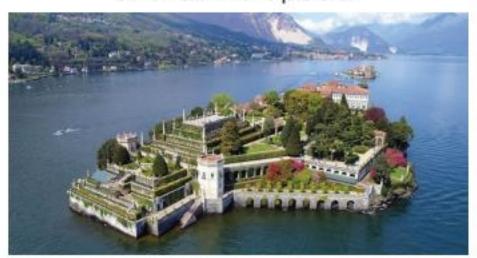
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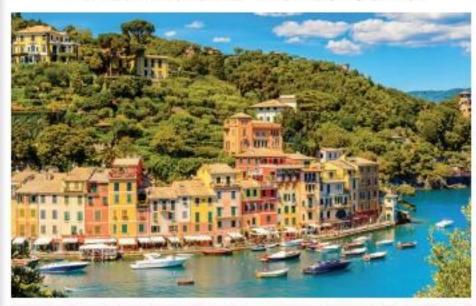
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BBC1

Casualty, 8.40pm



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Dance for Comic Relief (S)

Who Dares Wins Game show in which strangers pair up to win money. (S) 8.40 Casualty Robyn goes into labour

in a graveyard. (S) Mrs Brown's Boys The family awaits the fruits of its fraud. (S)

10,00 BBC News; Weather; (S) National Lottery Update (S) 10,20 Match of the Day Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches. (S)

11.45 This Country Mockumentary presenting a wry look at the lives of young people in rural Britain. (S)

AFTER 12.10 FILM My Brother the Devil (2012) (15) Drama, starring James Floyd and Fady Elsayed. (S) 1.55 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 2,00 BBC News (S)

BBC2

8.30pm



9.30 Coast (S)(R) 10.30 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R) 11,30 Mary Berry Everyday (S)(R) 12.00 The Little Paris Kitchen: Cooking with Rachel Khoo (S) (R) 12.30 FLM Firecreek (1968) (PG) (S) 2,15 Bargain Hunt (S)(R) 3,00 Gardeners' World (S)(R) 3.30 University Challenge (S)(R) 4.00 Only Connect (S) (R) 4.30 Final Score (S) 5.30 Flog It! (S) (R) 6.30 Wild Ireland: The Edge of the World (S)(R)

7.30 Britain at War: Imperial War Museums at 100 Falklands War veteran Simon Weston marks 100 years since the establishment of the Imperial War Museums. (S)

8.30 Dad's Army The men head off for a weekend at a training camp. (S)(R)

Dame Vera Lynn: Happy 100th 9.00 Birthday The former "forces sweetheart" celebrates her 100th birthday by recalling highlights from her career. (S)

10,00 QI XL With Sheila Hancock, Jimmy Carr and Jeremy Clarkson.

10.45 FLM True Grit (2010) (15) The Coen brothers' Western, with Jeff Bridges. (S)

12.30 FILM Ash Wednesday (2002) (18) Thriller, starring Edward Burns. (S) 2.00 This Is BBC Two (S)

Ant & Dec's Saturdau Night Takeaway, 7.30pm



8.10 Scrambled!: Teen Titans Go! (S) 8.30 Scrambled!: Bear Grylls Survival School (S) 9.05 Scrambled!: Adventure Time (S)(R) 9.25 Alphabetical (S)(R) 10.20 Judge Rinder (S)(R) 11.20 Rebound (S)(R) 12.20 ITV News; Weather (S) 12.30 FILM Carry On Matron (1972) (PG) (S) 2.15 Off Their Rockers (S)(R) 2.45 The Voice UK (S)(R) 4,00 Live Six Nations Rugby Union (S)

7.30 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway The presenter duo take on Phillip Schofield and Holly Willoughby in Make 'Em Laugh. (S)

8.30 The Voice UK The tension mounts as the contest enters the quarter-finals, and the coaches seek to find this year's eight semi-finalists. (S)

10,30 ITV News; Weather (S) 10.45 Lethal Weapon Riggs and Murtaugh pursue a case involving the latter's old training officer. (S)(R)

11.35 FLM Rambo III (1988) (18) Action adventure sequel, with Sylvester Stallone and Richard Crenna. (S)

1.25 Jackpot247 3.00 Who's Doing the Dishes? (S)(R) 3,50 ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4

Penelope Keith at Her Majesty's Service.



6.20 The King of Queens (S)(R) 6.45 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 7.35 Race of Champions 2017 (S) 8.30 Frasier (S)(R) 10.00 The Big Bang Theory (S)(R) 11.30 The Simpsons (S)(R) 1.00 Come Dine with Me (S)(R) 3.30 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun (S)(R) 4.30 Location, Location, Location (S)(R) 5,35 Grand Designs (S)(R) 6.30 Channel 4 News

7.00 Escape to the Chateau Dick and Angel try to live selfsufficiently, and invest in some chickens to provide them with eggs. (S)(R)

8.00 Penelope Keith at Her Majesty's Service The actress visits the Queen's official Scottish residence and the royal yacht Britannia. (S)(R)

9.00 FILM Lucy (2014) (15) A courier seeks revenge on the gangsters who kidnapped her after a drug grants her superhuman abilities. Sci-fi thriller, with Scarlett Johansson. (S)

10,45 FLM RoboCop (2014) (12) A critically injured police officer is rebuilt as a crime-fighting cyborg, but struggles to retain free will. Sci-fi thriller remake, with Joel Kinnaman. (S)

12.55 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (S)(R) 1.45 Hollyoaks (S) 3.55 Phil Spencer: Secret Agent (S)(R) 4.50 Kirstie's Handmade Treasures (S)(R) 4.55 Fifteen to One (S)(R) 5.50 The King of Queens (S)(R)

Channel 5

NCIS.



6.00 Milkshake! 9.55 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Crime-fighting capers. (S) 10.30 Access Showbiz news and gossip. (S) 10.40 On Benefits: Life on the Dole (S)(R) 1.30 Dance Moms (S) 4.15 The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door A woman who took issue when her neighbours started using her drop kerb and driveway. (S)(R) 5.10 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S)(R)

7.05 NCIS: Los Angeles A diplomatic service van is hijacked. (S)

8.00 NCIS Ducky is assaulted by a man who has information about his long-dead half-brother. (S)

8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

Football on 5: The Championship George Riley an Lynsey Hipgrave introduce highlights from the weekend's games, including Nottingham Forest v Derby County. (S)

10,00 Football on 5: Goal Rush (S) 10.30 Platoon: The True Story Oliver Stone reveals the real-life events that inspired his Oscarwinning Vietnam War film. (S)

11.30 Criminals: Caught on Camera CCTV footage of a raid on a west London jewellery shop. (S)

12,00 SuperCasino 3,10 Inside King's Cross: The Railway (S)(R) 4.00 Inside Buckingham Palace (S)(R) 4.50 House Doctor (S)(R) 5.15 Wildlife SOS (S)(R) 5.40 Angels of Jarm (S)(R) 5.50 Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 You've Been Framed! Gold 6.25 Emmerdale 8.55 Coronation Street 11.20 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway 12.55 The Voice UK 2.15 FILM: Rumour Has It (2005) (12) Romantic comedy, starring Jennifer Aniston and Kevin Costner. 3.15 FYI Daily 3.20 FILM: Rumour Has It (2005) (12) Concluded. 4.20 FILM: Nanny McPhee (2005) (U) Period fantasy, starring Emma Thompson. 5.20 FYI Daily 5.25 FILM: Nanny McPhee (2005) (U) Concluded. 6.15 FILM: Mr Bean's Holiday (2007) (PG) Comedy, starring Rowan Atkinson. 7.15 FYI Daily 7.20 FILM: Mr Bean's Holiday (2007) (PG) Concluded, 8.00 Scorpion 9.00 FILM: The 40 Year-Old Virgin (2005) (15) Comedy, starring Steve Carell. 10.00 FYI Daily 10.05 FILM: The 40 Year-Old Virgin (2005) (15) Comedy, starring Steve Carell. 11.25 Family Guy 12.55 American Dad! 1.50 Release the Hounds: Famous & Freaked 2.45 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records 3.00 Teleshopping

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Judge Judy 6.20 Murder, She Wrote 8.10 FILM: Blue Murder at St Trinian's (1957) (PG) Comedy, starring Lionel Jeffries. 9.10 FYI Daily 9.15 FILM: Blue Murder at St Trinian's (1957) (PG) Concluded, 10.00 FILM: Carry On Up the Jungle (1970) (PG) Comedy, starring Sid James. 11.00 FYI Daily 11.05 FILM: Carry On Up the Jungle (1970) (PG) Concluded. 12.00 Hans Christian Andersen: My Life as a Fairy Tale 1.50 Agatha Christie's Marple 3.55 Rosemary & Thyme 5.00 Lewis 7.00 Midsomer Murders 11.00 Rising Damp Forever 12.00 Wycliffe 1.05 Marchlands 2.00 ITV3 Nightscreen 2.30 Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Britain's Outlaws: Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues 8.00 She-Wolves: England's Early Queens 9.00 Follow the Money 11.00 Top of the Pops: 1983 12.00 Neil Sedaka: King of Song 1.00 Neil Sedaka Says: All You Need Is the Music 1.45 Kings of 70s Romance 2.45 Sings Bacharach and David! 3.45 Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Rules of Engagement 6.20 Melissa & Joey 7.05 Baby Daddy 8.10 Young & Hungry 9.10 How I Met Your Mother 10.10 FILM: Planet 51 (2009) (U) Animated scifi comedy, with the voice of Dwayne Johnson. 12.00 Black-ish 1.00 The Goldbergs 2.30 The Big Bang Theory

DIGITAL

6.30 FILM: The Twilight Saga: Eclipse (2010) (12) Romantic fantasy sequel, with Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson. 9.00 FILM: The Hunger Games (2012) (12) Sci-fi adventure, starring Jennifer Lawrence. 11.50 Gogglebox 12.50 Bizarre ER 1.55 Rude Tube 3.20 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD 4.00 Young & Hungry 4.50 Revenge

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Come Dine with Me 11.30 Homes by the Sea 12.35 Location, Location, Location 1.35 Coast vs Country 2.40 Four in a Bed 5.20 Come Dine with Me 8.00 Richard III: The New Evidence 9.00 9/11: The Falling Man 10.35 24 Hours in A&E 11.40 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown 1.45 Father Ted 2.50 24 Hours in A&E 3.50 Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Dunston Checks In (1996) (PG) Family comedy, starring Jason Alexander. 1.00 The Addams Family (1991) (PG) Black comedy, starring Anjelica Huston. 3.05 Sherlock Holmes and the Secret Weapon (1942) (PG) Mystery thriller, starring Basil Rathbone. 4.25 The Core (2003) (12) Sci-fi thriller, starring Aaron Eckhart. 7.10 Paddington (2014) (PG) Family comedy, starring Hugh Bonneville. 9.00 Last Vegas (2013) (12) Comedy, starring Michael Douglas. 11.05 Scary Movie 2 (2001) (18) Spoof horror sequel, starring Anna Faris. 12.40 In Fear (2013) (15) 2.20 Storage 24 (2012) (15) 4.00

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 Deadly 60 10.00 Top Gear 12.00 Motorway Cops 2.05 Gavin & Stacey 6.00 Top Gear 7.00 Not Going Out 9.00 Bottom 11.00 FILM: The Outlaw Josey Wales (1976) (18) Western, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood, 1.40 The Last Man on Earth 2.35 Parks and Recreation 3.20 Mock the Week 4.00 Close

DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.10 Tenko 9.00 Tenko Reunion 11.00 Sharpe 1.00 Tenko 3.00 Tenko Reunion 5.00 The Ark 7.00 Hetty Wainthropp Investigates 8.00 Maisie Raine 9.00 Taggart 11.00 Waking the Dead 1.20 Sharpe 3.10 Hetty Wainthropp Investigates 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Futurama 7.15 Modern Family 8.15 Game Changers 8.45 The Fantasy Football Club 9.45 Soccer AM 11.30 Live Premier League. Pre-match build-up to | West Bromwich Albion v Arsenal. 12.30 Wild Things 1.30 Duck Quacks Don't Echo 2.00 Portrait Artist of the Year 2017 3.00 Gillette Soccer Saturday 5.15 Futuran 5.45 Supergirl 6.40 The Flash 7.35 MacGyver 8.30 FILM: Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope (1977) (U) Sci-fi adventure, with Mark Hamill and Harrison Ford. 10.50 NCIS: Los Angeles 11.50 A League of Their Owr 12.50 Duck Quacks Don't Echo 1.50 DC's Legends of Tomorrow 2.40 Police 10/7

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 The West Wing 11.00 David Attenborough's Conquest of the Skies 3.00 Without a Trace 8.00 Blue Bloods 9.00 Game of Thrones 11.20 Last Week Tonigl with John Oliver 11.55 High Maintenance 12.30 FILM: The Wolfpack (2015) (15) Documentary about six brothers who were banned from leaving their New York flat, 2.15 Veep 4.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

W SKY: 109

6.10 Beauty and the Beast 7.00 Million Dollar Intern 8.00 The Bill 1.00 EastEnders 3.30 FILM: Zoolander (2001) (12) Comedy, starring Ben Stiller. 5.20 My Family 7.20 John Bishop: In Conversation with Lindsay Lohan 8.20 FILM: The Dukes of Hazzard (2005) (12) Comedy, starring Seann William Scott and Johnny Knoxville, 10.40 Grimm 11.50 Outnumbered 1.10 The Musketeers 2.15 Boston's Finest 3.00 Home Shoppin;

GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Cheers 8.30 dinnerladies 9.15 Only Fools and Horses 10.20 Last of the Summer Wine 12.20 Boomers 1.00 Only Fools and Horses 9.00 I'm Alan Partridge 11.00 Bottom 11.40 Filthy, Rich and Catflap 12.20 Bottom Live: Weapons Grade Y-Fronts Tour 2.25 Bill Hicks: Relentless 3.25 jam 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.00 Football Gold 6.45 Premier League Preview 7.15 Football Gold 7.45 Game Changers 8.15 Premier League Preview 8.45 The Fantasy Football Club 9.45 Soccer AM 11.30 Live Premier League. Pre-match buil up to West Bromwich Albion v Arsenal. 12.30 Live Premier League. West Bromwich Albion v Arsenal (kick off 12.30pm). 3.00 Gillette Soccer Saturday 5.15 Live EFL. Leeds United v Brighton & Hove Albion (kick-off 5.30pm). 8.00 EFL Goals 8.30 Nissan Game of the Da 10.30 Nissan Match Choice 11.30 Premier League Highlights

Sunday March 19th

BBC

Antiques Roadshow,



6.00 Breakfast (S) 7.30 Match of the Day (S)(R) 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show (S) 10.00 The Big Questions (S) 11.00 Sunday Politics (S) 12.15 Bargain Hunt (S)(R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather (S) 1.15 Flog It! (S)(R) 2.15 Countryfile Spring Diaries (S)(R) 3.00 Escape to the Country (S)(R) 3.45 Lifeline (S) 3.55 Songs of Praise (S) 4.30 Shop Well for Less? (S)(R) 5.30 BBC News (S) 5.50 BBC Regional News (S) 6.00 The Big Painting Challenge (S)

7.00 Countryfile Matt Baker and Anita Rani present the show from the Hoo Peninsula. (S)

O Antiques Roadshow Fiona Bruce presents the show from Burton Constable Hall near Hull. (S)

ss-GB Archer and Harry have to get the king out of London, only to realise too late that they have been led into a trap. Barbara faces being deported back to the US. Last in the series. (S)

10,00 BBC News (S) 10,20 BBC Regional News; Weather (S)

10.30 Match of the Day 2 Mark Chapman reviews the latest Premier League action. (S)

11.40 American High School The school year comes to an end. Last in the series. (S)

AFTER 12.30 The Celebrity Apprentice USA (S) 1.55 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 2.00 BBC News (S)

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9.45 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites (S)
11,15 Nigel Slater's Dish of the Day
(S)(R) 11,45 Simply Nigella (S)(R)
12,15 MOTD2 Extra (S) 1,00 FILM
Day of the Evil Gun (1968) (PG) (S)
2,30 The House That £100K Built (S)
(R) 3.30 Back to the Land with Kate
Humble (S)(R) 4.30 Ski Sunday
Special: Freestyle Ski & Snowboard
World Championships (S) 6.00 Six
Nations Rugby Union (S)

7.00 Robot Wars Dara O Briain and Angela Scanlon present the third heat. (S)

8.00 Top Gear Rory Reid and Sabine Schmitz go in search of the latest supercars at Germany's Nurburgring circuit. (S)

9.00 Down the Mighty River with Steve Backshall Part two of two. The naturalist braves the dangerous white waters the Baliem River's lower gorge. (S)

(2014) (15) Premiere. Comedy drama, starring Ben Stiller and Naomi Watts. (S)

11.35 Women's Six Nations
Highlights Eilidh Barbour
presents action from the
concluding round of fixtures. (S)

12.05 FLM Sergeant Rutledge (1960) (PG) Western courtroom drama, starring Woody Strode. (S) 1.50 Sign Zone: Question Time (S)(R) 2.50 Holby City (S)(R) 3.50 This Is BBC Two (S) Cha

Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule, 6.30pm

ITV



10.00 Peston on Sunday (S) 10.55
Wild Australia with Ray Mears (S)(R)
11.25 Chopping Block (S)(R) 12.25 ITV
News; Weather (S) 12.30 Who's Doing
the Dishes? (S)(R) 1.30 Off Their
Rockers (S)(R) 2.00 Tipping Point (S)
(R) 3.00 The Voice UK (S)(R) 5.00
Little Big Shots (S)(R) 6.00 ITV
Regional News; Weather (S) 6.10 ITV
News (S) 6.30 Harry Hill's Alien Fun
Capsule (S)(R)

7.00 Five Gold Rings Game show, hosted by Phillip Schofield. (S)

8.00 Vera New series. The detective investigates when the body of a wildlife ranger is found on a remote island. (S)

10.00 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.20 The Nightly Show Best Bits
Highlights from the third week
of the entertainment show. (S)
10.50 Peston on Sunday Political

magazine. (S)(R)

11.50 Anglo-Welsh Cup Highlights
Action from the final.

12.40 Jackpot247 3.00 The Cube (S) (R) 3.50 ITV Nightscreen 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R) **Channel 4**

Our Guy in China,



6.15 The King of Queens (S)(R) 6.40 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 7.35 Race of Champions 2017 (S) 8.30 Frasier (S)(R) 9.30 Sunday Brunch (S) 12.30 The Simpsons (S)(R) 1.30 FILM Rio (2011) (U) (S) 3.25 FILM Johnny English Reborn (2011) (PG) Spy comedy sequel, starring Rowan Atkinson. (S) 5.30 Channel 4 News (S) 6.00 Dave's Guide to Spending Money (S)

7.00 Our Guy in China Guy Martin examines Chinese innovation, technological development and manufacturing. (S)(R)

8.00 Rivers with Jeremy Paxman The presenter travels along the Mersey. (S)

9.00 Homeland While Carrie and Saul present evidence to Keane, Quinn tracks a mark. (S)

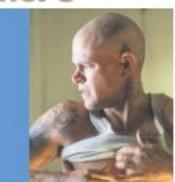
10.00 Gogglebox Capturing the households' instant reactions to what they are watching on TV from the comfort of their own sofas. (S)(R)

11.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Jimmy Carr hosts the popular quiz. (S)(R)

12.00 FILM The Five-Year
Engagement (2012) (15) (S) 2.10 The
Last Leg (S)(R) 3.05 Scruffts: Britain's
Favourite Dog (S)(R) 4.00 Kirstie's
Handmade Treasures (S)(R) 4.10 Phil
Spencer: Secret Agent (S)(R) 5.05
Fifteen to One (S)(R)

Channel 5

Elysium,



10.30 Football on 5: The
Championship (S)(R) 11.30 Football
on 5: Goal Rush (S)(R) 12.00 The
Gadget Show (S)(R) 1.05 FILM
Batteries Not Included (1987) (PG)
(S) 3.05 FILM Zathura: A Space
Adventure (2005) (PG) (S) 5.00 FILM
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2
(2013) (U) (S) 6.50 5 News Weekend
(S) 6.55 FILM Left Behind (2014)
(15) (S)

9.00 FILM Elysium (2013) (15) A
man living in poverty on a ruined
Earth fights to gain access to a
space station inhabited by a
wealthy elite. Sci-fi thriller,
starring Matt Damon. (S)

11.10 FILM Dark Skies (2013) (15) Sci-fi horror, starring Keri Russell and Josh Hamilton. (S)

12.55 Greatest Sci-Fi Movies (S)(R)
2.10 SuperCasino 4.00 Criminals:
Caught On Camera (S)(R) 4.50 House
Doctor (S)(R) 5.15 Wildlife SOS (S)(R)
5.40 Angels of Jarm (S)(R) 5.50 Roary
the Racing Car (S)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Emmerdale 8.30 Coronation Street 11.00 The Voice UK 1.00 2Awesome 1.05 2Awesome: Guidance 1.40 2Awesome: Fame High 2.05 2Awesome: Third Wheel 2.30 2Awesome: LA Story 2.50 You've Been Framed! Gold 3.55 FILM: Despicable Me (2010) (U) Animated comedy, with the voice of Steve Carell. 4.55 FYI Daily 5.00 FILM: Despicable Me (2010) (U) Concluded. 5.50 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway 6.55 FILM: Red Riding Hood (2011) (12) Fantasy, starring Amanda Seyfried. 7.55 FYI Daily 8.00 FILM: Red Riding Hood (2011) (12) Concluded. 9.00 Ibiza Weekender 10.00 Family Guy 11.30 American Dad! 12.30 The Cleveland Show 1.25 The Vampire Diaries 2.15 Teleshopping 5.45 ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 On the Buses 6.50 Hans Christian Andersen: My Life as a Fairy Tale 8.40 Heartbeat 10.45 Murder, She Wrote 11.45 FILM: The Pure Hell of St Trinian's (1960) (U) Comedy, starring Cecil Parker. 12.45 FYI Daily 12.50 FILM: The Pure Hell of St Trinian's (1960) (U) Concluded. 1.50 Inspector Morse 4.05 Agatha Christie's Marple 6.00 Midsomer Murders 8.00 Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs 9.00 It'll Be Alright on the Night 10.00 Rising Damp Forever 11.05 FILM: Good Will Hunting (1997) (15) Drama, with Matt Damon. 12.05 FYI Daily 12.10 FILM: Good Will Hunting (1997) (15) Concluded. 1.35 Inspector Morse 3.25 May the Best House Win 5.05 On the Buses 5.35 ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Revolution and Romance: Musical Masters of the 19th Century 8.00 Classic Quartets at the BBC 9.00 Heimat Home from Home: Chronicle of a Vision - Part One 10.40 Heimat Home from Home: Chronicle of a Vision - Part Two 12.40 The Century That Wrote Itself 1.40 How to Get Ahead: At Medieval Court 2.40 Classic Quartets at the BBC 3.40 Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Melissa & Joey 6.45 Baby Daddy 7.45 How I Met Your Mother 8.40 Hollyoaks 11.15 FILM: Space Chimps (2008) (U) Animated sci-fi comedy, with the voice of Andy Samberg. 12.55 Made in Chelsea Does Come Dine with Me 2.00 Black-ish 2.30 The Goldbergs 4.00 Brooklyn Nine-Nine 5.00 The Big Bang Theory 7.00

FILM: Addams Family Values (1993) (PG) Comedy sequel, starring Anjelica Huston and Raul Julia. 9.00 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD 10.00 FILM: Die Hard 2 (1990) (18) Action thriller sequel, starring Bruce Willis. 12.25 Tattoo Fixers 1.30 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD 2.30 Gap Year 3.15 Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Come Dine with Me 11.30 Walks with My Dog 12.30 Vet on the Hill 1.35 Homes by the Med 2.35 Four in a Bed 5.20 Come Dine with Me 8.00 Nazi Megastructures 9.00 Father Ted 10.05 Man Down 11.05 24 Hours in A&E 12.10 Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA 1.10 Man Down 2.10 Nazi Megastructures 3.10 Food Unwrapped 3.40 Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Tooth (2004) (U) Children's fantasy adventure, starring Yasmin Paige. 1.00 Vice Versa (1988) (PG) Fantasy comedy, starring Judge Reinhold and Fred Savage. 2.55 Carry On Jack (1963) (PG) Comedy, with Bernard Cribbins. 4.45 Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters (2013) (PG) Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Logan Lerman. 6.50 My Sister's Keeper (2009) (12) Drama, starring Cameron Diaz. 9.00 Legion (2010) (15) Action fantasy, starring Paul Bettany. 11.00 Hanna (2011) (12) Action thriller, starring Saoirse Ronan. 1.10 Leaves of Grass (2009) (15) Comedy drama, starring Edward Norton. 3.20 Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 Top Gear 9.00 Red Bull Soapbox: Mumbai 10.00 Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge 11.00 Traffic Cops 1.00 Lizard Lick Towing 2.00 Top Gear 5.00 Red Bull Soapbox: Mumbai 6.00 Top Gear 7.00 Traffic Cops 8.00 Cops UK: Bodycam Squad 9.00 Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You 10.00 QI XL 11.00 Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish 12.00 Crackanory 12.30 Mock the Week 1.10 Mock the Week Christmas Special 1.50 The Last Man on Earth 2.45 Parks and Recreation 4.00 Close

DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.00 Last Tango in Halifax 8.00 The Bill 12.00 Pride and Prejudice 7.00 New Tricks 9.00 Silent Witness 11.10 Spooks 1.50 The Ruby in the Smoke 3.35 Garden Hopping 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Hour of Power 7.00 Modern Family 10.00

Supergirl 11.00 The Flash 12.00 WWE Raw Hits 1.00
Live Nissan Super Sunday, Pre-match build-up to
Tottenham Hotspur v Southampton, 2.15 Futurama:
Welcome to the World of Tomorrow 2.30 Modern Family
4.00 The Simpsons 5.00 Greatest Disney Songs 6.00
The Simpsons 8.00 Wild Things 9.00 Hawaii Five-0
10.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 11.00 MacGyver 12.00 The
Force: Essex 1.00 Air Ambulance ER 2.00 Police 10/7
5.30 Futurama

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 The West Wing 11.00 Without a Trace 4.00 Blue Bloods 9.00 Big Little Lies 10.00 Real Time with Bill Maher 11.10 Fortitude 12.10 Billions 1.20 The Wire 3.25 Veep 4.00 Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

W SKY: 109

6.00 Beauty and the Beast 6.40 Your Home in Their Hands 8.00 Choccywoccydoodah 8.30 Celebrity MasterChef 1.00 Dynamo: Magician Impossible 2.00 Doctor Who 4.00 My Family 6.00 Outnumbered 8.00 Honey I Bought the House 9.00 John Bishop: In Conversation with Lindsay Lohan 10.00 The C Word 12.00 Code Black 12.55 Outnumbered 1.30 The Musketeers 2.35 Betty White's Off Their Rockers 3.00 Home Shopping

GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Cheers 7.50 The Two Ronnies 9.20 Only Fools and Horses 12.00 Boomers 12.50 Only Fools and Horses 9.00 I'm Alan Partridge 11.00 Psychoville 2 12.20 Limmy's Show 1.40 Psychoville 2 2.50 jam 4.00 Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.00 Premier League Highlights 9.30 The Sunday Supplement 11.00 Goals on Sunday 1.00 Live Nissan Super Sunday. Pre-match build-up to Tottenham Hotspur v Southampton. 2.15 Live Nissan Super Sunday. Tottenham Hotspur v Southampton (kick-off 2.15pm). 4.00 Live Nissan Super Sunday. Manchester City v Liverpool (kick-off 4.30pm). 7.00 ATP Masters Tennis 8.00 Live ATP Masters Tennis. The BNP Paribas Open final 10.30 Premier League Highlights 11.00 Goals on Sunday 12.00 Premier League Highlights 1.00 Sky Sports Boxing Gold 2.00 Fight Night 5.00 Goals on Sunday



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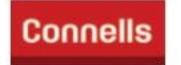
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Cowley

£350,000



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Healthy outlook for property market in city

Bill Cooper, co-author of The Oxford Property Blog and managing director of Martin and Co, Oxford

Over the last 12 months the total value of Oxford property sold was £1.4bn. There were 3,216 completed transactions which was 11% down on the prior 12-month period.

20% of the properties sold were flats with an average sale price of £274,863; the remainder were houses with an average sale price of £443,755. Overall, the average achieved sales price was £403,165 which was 11% up on the prior 12-month period. The highest valued flat sold for £1.65m and, the highest value house sold for £9.75m.

Over the last three months all highest value transactions have been in OX2 with the top three being on Pullens Lane - £4.75m, Crick Road £3.55m and, Hids Copse Road - £2.9m. The total value of transactions during this period was £337m of which 16% were flats and just 2% were new build.

Historically, when transaction volumes fall, so too do achieved prices. In Oxford average achieved prices have not yet reduced despite a significant

11.1% fall in transaction volumes. Over the same period transaction volumes across SE England have fallen by 9.4% and across England & Wales by just 1.5%.

By property type prices are up across Oxford, flats have risen by 14% to an average of £274.863 which is well above the £190,103 average for the South-East of England. Terraced houses (up 7% to £380,743 vs. £263,129 across the SE) and semi-detached houses (up 2% to £401,430 vs. £321,256 across the SE) have risen at a lower rate than the SE average, whilst detached homes have matched the rise across the SE (up 8% to £614,527 vs. £496,528 across the SE).

Overall Oxford property has continued to offer current owners strong return on investment, whilst presenting buyers with a higher cost of entry. To date, the market has shown resilience in the face of lower transaction volumes, suggesting demand still out-strips supply.

For insights and opinion about the Oxford Property Market visit: www. OxfordPropertyBlog.co.uk

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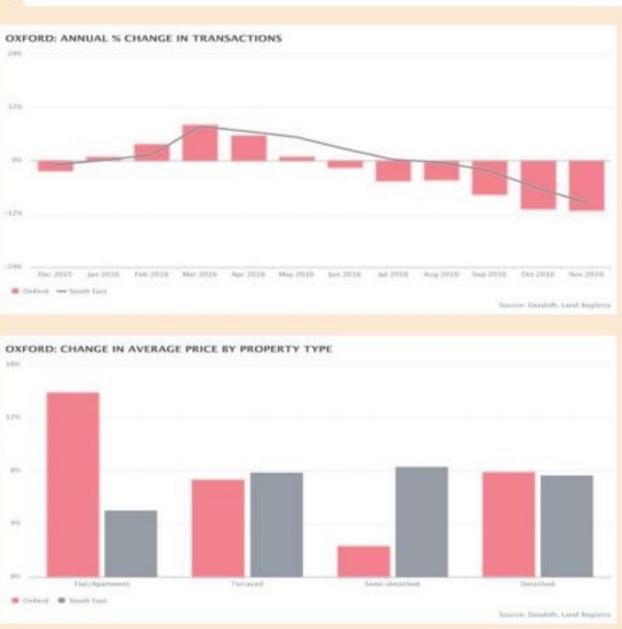
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The stairs rise from the elegant hallway to the first floor landing with doors leading to four of the double bedrooms, two of which benefit from en suite Jack and Jill bathrooms. The fifth bedroom and a third bathroom can be accessed via a second staircase giving potential to provide separate annexe accommodation if required.

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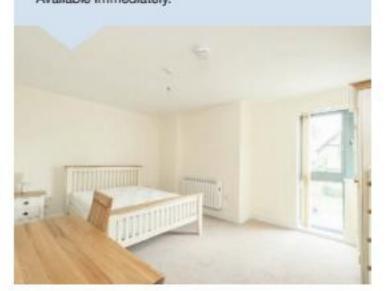
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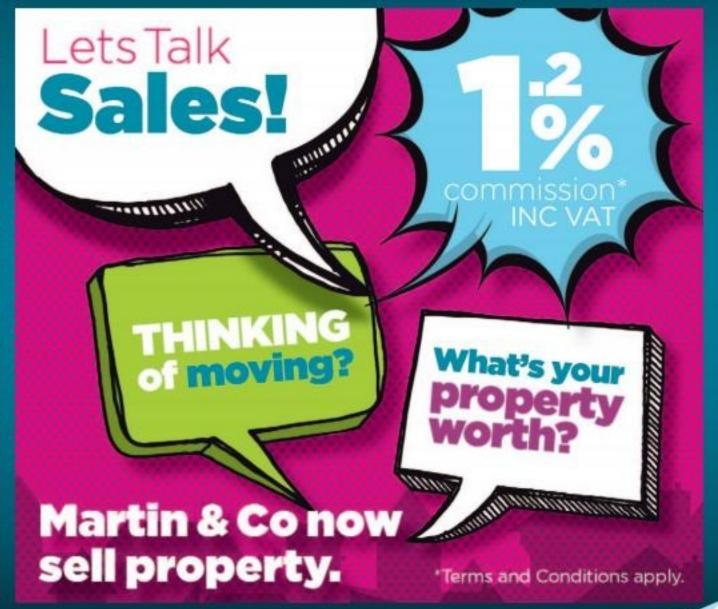
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ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Songs to save your life

By James Richings

The end of the world is nearly on us, the human race is almost extinct and K Dick's post-apocalyptic novel Dr everyone is panicking.

What should you do? - Sing of course. Songs for the End of the World arrives at the Cornerstone Arts Centre in Didcot.

Described as 'gig-theatre', the show tells the story of Jim Walters, a hapless astronaut, who is shot off in a rocket he said. to be the first man on Mars, but gets stuck in Earth Orbit on the day of the live band and they'll play an epic rock apocalypse.

Restricted, Jim decides to write songs for the end of the world, in case anything like this before." anyone might be listening.

Dom Coyote, who plays Jim in the production, told the Guardian: "It's not really a musical but instead gig-theatre really the stand-out track as it's an which has a really different feel.

"It's a gig, a live band on stage, that all become characters in a story.

think about the world we are living in right now, how we might change it for the better, and cherish what we have."

Making its debut at the Station Road venue on Saturday, March 25, the production was written by friends Dom Coyote, Michael Vale and Tom Penn with the music for the show being

provided by multi-instrumental band The Bloodmoneys.

The show was inspired by Philip Bloodmoney which was first published in 1965, and with the production also paying homage to Ziggy Stardust and 50s rock n' roll, Dom insists this is a show that cannot be missed.

"The cocktail of explosive story and characters is what you can expect,"

"The Bloodmoneys are an amazing gig which will be unique.

"You definitely won't have seen

When it came to choosing his favourite song from the show, Dom opted for Dear Old World saying it "is anthem for hope.

"We take inspirations from old rock n roll and the whole thing has a 50's "And I hope the audience might quality to it, but mixed with a really contemporary sound."

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost from £12 to £15.

Gig theatre Songs for the End of the World is at the Cornerstone on Saturday



Fabulous Fawesome

MUSIC: Covers band Fawesome are will be gigging at The Black Horse in Kidlington on Saturday, March 25.

The quartet arrive at the pub in Banbury Road to perform tunes from ZZ Top, Bon Jovi and many

The free gig starts at 9.30pm.

A grape night out

WINE TASTING: A session will take place at the Cornerstone Arts Centre in Didcot on Friday, March 24.

Tom Whitehouse from The Oxford Company comes to the Station Road venue with his fine selection of varieties, where tasters can find out which wines suit their palates.

It starts at 6.30pm and tickets cost £12.

Always wrong?

COMEDY: Jo Caulfield will be at The Mill Arts in Banbury on Friday, March 31.

The 51-year-old arrives at the Spiceball Park venue with her The Customer is Always Wrong show.

She is best known for her appearances on the comedy panel show Mock the Week.

Tickets cost £15 and the gig will start at 8pm.

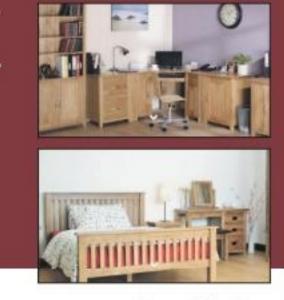
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ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Bucking social conventions

By James Richings

IT'S the day every man dreads, meeting your girlfriend's dad.

thing, you want to look presentable you as an actor is thrilling. and you want to sound ambitious.

you their two pence worth, you start to doubt yourself and your first meeting inevitably goes wrong.

Comedy arrives at the BT Studio.

the unlucky sculptor told the Guardian: young sculptor trying to make his way through one of the most important I think for my character 'never get evenings of his life.

"He has somehow to meet both his is more pervasive. militaristic future father in law and a millionaire arts patron who could audience members who aren't your make his career.

neighbours and unwelcome visitors, it it like a proper show." goes on to plot the descent into chaos."

the BT Studio in numerous productions since 2014, the actor hinted that occasionally, nerves and anxiety could appear when performing in a new play.

However, George is confident the shows starting at 7.30pm. play's strong storyline along with his experience of being a regular at the 2.30pm on Saturday.

theatre could help him flourish next weekend.

"A lot of people like just being on stage," he said. "It's narcissistic, but You don't want to say the wrong having audiences simply appreciate

"Under that, maybe less with a piece But when everyone starts giving like this, there's being lucky enough to share the writer's world you've worked so hard to create with other people.

He added: "Black Comedy is an So find out what happens when Black exploration of manners and social conventions, and how all of that comes George Lea, who plays Brindsley, undone when the lights are out.

"There could be a parallel between "The story looks at an opportunistic blithe optimism blindly walking into disaster and modern politics, but engaged six weeks after a breakup,'

"And I love that feeling when you get friends or parents, who might have "Through stolen furniture, drunk nothing to do with you and will watch

The play is at the Beaumont Even though George has acted at Street venue from Friday, March 24 to Saturday, March 25 and will be performed by students at the Magdalen College School.

Tickets cost £7 with the evening

A matinée performance will start at



Goldfrapp are back

MUSIC: EDM duo Goldfrapp will gig at the O2 Academy on Monday, March 20.

Made up of Alison Goldfrapp and Will Gregory, the twosome will perform tracks off their seven studio albums, which includes tunes off their latest record Silver Eye, which comes out on March 31.

Doors open at 7pm and tickets cost £27.50.

Tackling Fences

FILM: The multi-award winning film Fences will be screened at the Chipping Norton Theatre on Sunday, March 26.

Starring Denzel Washington and Viola Davis, the movie looks at two black parents bringing up their troubled sons in 1950s Pittsburgh. Tickets cost from £5 to £8.50.

Waves crash in

MUSIC: Indie rock band Circa Waves will be at the O2 Academy on Saturday, March 25.

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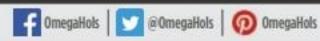
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ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Exposing nature's cheats

By James Richings

FROM cheating cuckoos to ant-mimicking spiders, there's a lot to learn about insects when Cheats and Deceits arrive at the Oxford Playhouse.

Organised by Science Oxford, the family fun event will feature ecologist Martin Stevens explaining how deception works in nature and how devious animals and plants can be.

And with this talk aimed at parents and children, Martin thinks the event will benefit everyone who attends.

"It's great to know that people still find time to appreciate the natural world," Martin told the Guardian.

"Science in the hectic world we live in, and that there is a passion to understand and learn about how nature works.

"On the day, you can earn about how remarkable and sophisticated deception is in nature, and the science and early explorers that has uncovered its secrets.

"You'll learn a lot about how deception works in nature, evolves, and how it has been studied by scientists and naturalists.

"And with Cheats and Deceits coming to Oxford for the first time, it's really exciting to be coming here and meeting a whole new audience."



As well as hosting the talk, Martin is also the Associate Professor in Sensory and Evolutionary Ecology at Exeter University.

He is also the Director of Impact Biosciences, an organisation that researchers across many areas which includes conservation strategies and river management.

But even though his day job might sound a bit complicated to us normal Joes, ecology is something that has interested him since he was a child.

And nothing gives him more satisfaction than sharing the knowledge £7.

he's learnt onto other biology enthusiasts. Spiders, butterflies and ants will be some of the insects Martin will talk about.

"I have always been inspired by nature since a young child," he said.

"I would explore the garden, parks, and countryside around where I grew up – how could anyone not be inspired by nature when they have the opportunity to witness it and learn about it?

"I'm truly lucky that my passion is also my job." It will begin at 5pm and tickets cost





New kid in town

MUSIC: Singer-songwriter Declan McKenna will be at the O2 Academy on Tuesday, March 21.

The 18-year-old arrives at the Cowley Road venue to perform tunes off his two EPs Stains and Liars

Tickets cost £9.56 and doors open at 7pm.

Italian classic

THEATRE: The stage adaptation of Italian movie La Strada will be performed at the Oxford Playhouse from Monday, March 20 to Saturday, March 25.

The film, which was released in 1954 looks at Gelsomina, who is sold by her penniless mother to Zampano, a travelling sideshow strongman, where the two travel through the Italian countryside performing for their keep.

The film won an Oscar.

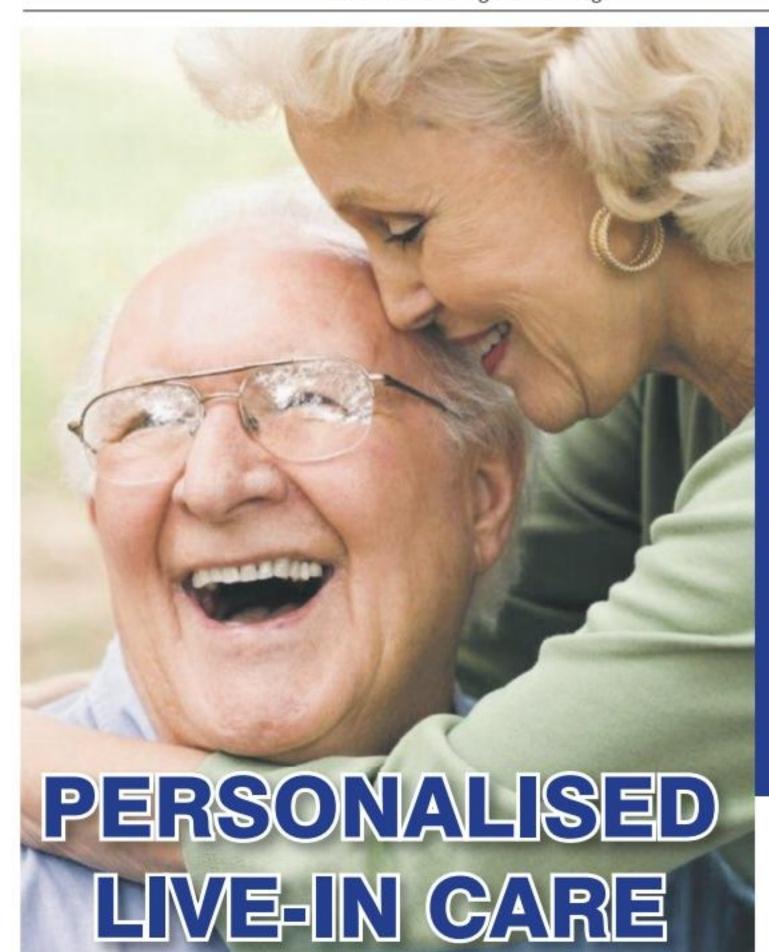
Tickets cost from £11.50 to £28.

The magic of Miller

MUSIC: The Glenn Miller Orchestra will be at the New Theatre on Sunday, March 19

The show will follow the life of the famous big band leader Glenn Miller, who died in 1944 aged 40.

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Thu, Mar 16, 7.45pm The Theatre, Chipping Norton THE GREAT BRITISH TAKE

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OFF Jon Culshaw and Bill Dare Join us for an evening of hilarity as Dead Ringers creator and producer Bill Dare is in conversation with the mighty impressionist Jon Culshaw. A night of utterly spontaneous unscripted observations, recollections and character collections.

Fri, Mar 17, 5pm Oxford Playhouse, Oxford CHEATS AND DECEITS

From cheating cuckoos to ant mimicking spiders, the natural world is full of hustlers. Creatures of all shapes and sizes, who are out to lure unsuspecting prey, coerce potential mates and avoid attack from predators.

Fri, Mar 17, 7.45pm The Theatre, Chipping Norton I'M SORRY, I'LL READ THAT AGAIN...AGAIN!

This knockabout show celebrates the radio series that gave birth to The Goodies and Monty Python's Flying Circus - not to mention I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue. Stand by for wicked parodies, glorious puns and manic songs. It's full-frontal radio, live on stage - with the unmistakable strains of the Angus Prune Tune and the unavoidable smells of the Rhubarb Tart of Omar Khayyam. We are delighted to announce that the show in Chipping Norton will feature a special cameo appearance by original cast members and writer, Mr. Graeme Garden and Jo Kendall!

Sat, Mar 18, 10.30am The Theatre, Chipping Norton SING

In this guirky animated musical from the makers of Despicable Me and Minions, a koala impresario stages a grand singing competition for the world's animals. The voices of Matthew McConaughey and Reese Witherspoon add to this veritable farmyard of fun.

Sat, Mar 18, 6.30pm O2 Academy, Oxford

HALF MAN HALF BISCUIT Half Man Half Biscuit are a truly genuine band, blessed with a magic capacity to make the most jaded of listeners fall back in love with music again. Witty and dry sardonic yet never clinical, melodically infectious yet edgy sing-along songs, these four lads who shook the Wirral are perhaps still to some extent and undiscovered national

Sat, Mar 18, 7.30pm New Theatre, Oxford **RICK ASTLEY**

Pop Icon and multi-million artist Rick Astley has announced a brand new 17 date tour for March and April 2017 performing classic tracks and songs from his new album '50' which came out last year. Expect to see a mix of old and new in Oxford.

Sun, Mar 19 - Thu, Mar 23 The Theatre, Chipping Norton LOVING

Loving celebrates the real-life courage and commitment of an interracial couple, Richard and Mildred Loving (Joel Edgerton and Ruth Negga), who married and then spent the next nine years fighting for the right to live as a family in their hometown. Their civil rights case went all the way to the Supreme Court, which in 1967 reaffirmed the the right to marry. A timely and moving film.

Mon, Mar 20 7pm, Oxford Playhouse, Oxford GOLDFRAPP

The dynamic duo, Goldfrapp, will be bringing their electronic beats to the UK in March, with their first album in four years following shortly after. Catch their new single Anymore as well as all their hit songs when they perform at the O2 Academy Oxford.

Mon, Mar 20 - Sat, Mar 25 Oxford Playhouse, Oxford LA STRADA

Federico Fellini's La Strada (The Road) is one of the true masterpieces of modern cinema, winning an Academy Award in 1957. This visually stunning new stage adaptation, directed by Olivier Award nominee Sally Cookson (Jane Eyre, Hetty Feather), boasts a beautiful score by Benji Bower, with songs performed live on stage by a multitalented cast. The story of wideeyed Gelsomina, who is sold by her penniless mother to Zampano, a travelling sideshow strongman, unfolds as they journey through the Italian countryside performing for their keep. Their perilous road trip leads them to a ragtag travelling circus where they meet Il Matto, the tightrope walker, who rekindles Gelsomina's spirit with a new found

In this much-anticipated new stage production, Fellini's profoundly impassioned and deeply involving story is sure to stimulate the senses, fire your emotions and stir the soul.

Mon, Mar 20, 7.30pm New Theatre, Oxford JASPER CARROTT & ALISTAIR MCGOWAN

Comedy legends Jasper Carrott and Alistair McGowan split the bill and your sides with a night of comedy stand up and impressions. Drawing on their wealth of experience they present a show of pure laughter and entertainment that is not to be missed.

Tue, Mar 21, 7pm O2 Academy, Oxford THE WAILERS

Following the success of their huge self-out tour last year, legendary reggae artists The Wailers return to mark to stages across the country. Performing their Legend album in its entirety, the group will also play other greatest hits including 'Three Little Birds,' 'I Shot the Sheriff' and 'Jamming'.

Tue, Mar 21, 7pm O2 Academy, Oxford **DECLAN MCKENNA**

Hotly-tipped young Brit musician Declan McKenna supports his hotly-anticipated debut album with his latest UK tour

Thu, Mar 23, 7pm O2 Academy, Oxford BEAR'S DEN

Red Earth & Pouring Rain is the follow-up to Bear's Den's Ivor Novello-nominated 2014 debut, Islands. Building a huge fanbase through consistently stellar live shows, Red Earth & Pouring Rain sees the group taking huge leaps forward.

Fri, Mar 24, 6.30pm Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot WINE TASTING

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Consistently seen as one of the greatest rappers of all time, Eminem is not only a titan in hip-hop but in modern culture itself. One of the biggest selling artists of the 21st century, his razor-sharp wit and impeccable larger than life anthems continue to defy boundaries, with the likes of 'Lose Yourself', 'My Name Is', 'Not Afraid' and 'The Monster' all storming charts and record collections around the world. His return to Reading and Leeds marks an extremely rare opportunity to witness an icon in the flesh, with a set that'll add another legendary chapter to the story of

Melvin Benn commented: *Eminem returning to Reading and Leeds is beyond exciting. His 2013 headline performance was incredible and I can't wait to have him back. In addition to our third and final headliner (joining Kasabian and Muse) we've announced over 70 additional acts to this year's line up - it's looking stronger than ever."

Fri, Mar 24, 7.30pm New Theatre, Oxford DREAMBOYS

If you're looking for the very best girls night out in the UK, look no further than these incredible stripping hunks. An action packed 2 hour show from start to finish, these boys will literally have you begging for more!

Sat, Mar 25, 6.30pm O2 Academy, Oxford CIRCA WAVES

Don't miss indie rockers Circa Waves as they embark on their biggest headline tour to date. The band are set to play a string of unmissable live shows in support of their eagerly anticipated second album, Different Creatures.

The Theatre, Chipping Norton RICHARD HERRING: THE BEST

Richard Herring, King of the Edinburgh Fringe, Metro columnist and the UK's Podfather (RHLSTP, AIOTM) picks his favourite routines from his 12 one-man shows and

Sat, Mar 25, 7.45pm

crams them into 90 minutes for your delectation.

From his deconstruction of the genealogy of Christ to him proving that racists are less racist than liberals, via some of the best knob jokes in the business. Will your favourite routine make the cut? A great introduction to this influential cult comedian for the newcomer and a welcome greatest hits for long term fans.

Mon, Mar 27, 7pm O2 Academy, Oxford PULLED APART BY HORSES

Mon, Mar 27 - Mar 28 New Theatre, Oxford JACK ROOKE: GOOD GRIEF

With a coffin full of sympathy snacks, Jack Rooke and his 85-year old Nan Sicely, invite you to the happiest town in Britain where Dad's dead and the only thing to eat is lasagne.

Rooke's critically acclaimed debut hour blends comedy, storytelling

and film. It explores how we treat the bereaved, whilst challenging proposed welfare cuts for grieving families and celebrating finding happiness after tragedy. Another compelling production from Soho Theatre, Good Grief was shortlisted for Best Show by an Emerging Artist in the Total Theatre Awards 2015. Jack has presented a BBC Radio 4 comedy adaptation of Good Grief and his own BBC3 documentary about happiness is due to air early in 2017.

Tue, Mar 28, 7pm O2 Academy, Oxford WARPAINT

LA-based four-piece band Warpaint return to British shores as they continue to support their third album, 'Heads Up',

Tue, Mar 28 - Sat, Apr 1 New Theatre, Oxford GREASE

Dust off your leather jackets, pull on your bobby-socks and take a trip to a simpler time as Danny and Sandy fall in love all over again.

Mon, Apr 3 - Sat, Apr 8 Oxford Playhouse, Oxford ABIGAIL'S PARTY

Amanda Abbington stars in Mike Leigh's undisputed classic, Abigail's Party.

It's 40 years since the appalling Beverly first put Donna Summer on the turntable, stacked a plate with little cheesy-pineapple sticks, plied her guests with alcohol, cigarettes and Demis Roussos and slow-danced her way across the shag-pile into theatrical history. The drinks party from hell begins when she and husband Laurence invite round new neighbours, Tony and Ange, along with nervous divorcee Sue; jittery about the bash her teenage daughter, Abigail, is throwing up the road. As that party reportedly gets out of hand, this one too descends into chaos, and comedy, as drama and tragedy combine into an iconic piece of theatre.

Amanda Abbington is best-known for playing Mary Morstan in Sherlock, Miss Mardle in Mr Selfridge and DS Jo Moffat in Cuffs. Directed by Sarah Esdaile (Talking Heads, Cat on a Hot Tin Roof), this new production of Mike Leigh's legendary play is as hilarious and horribly compelling as ever.



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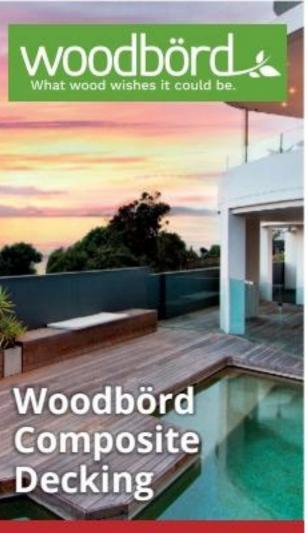












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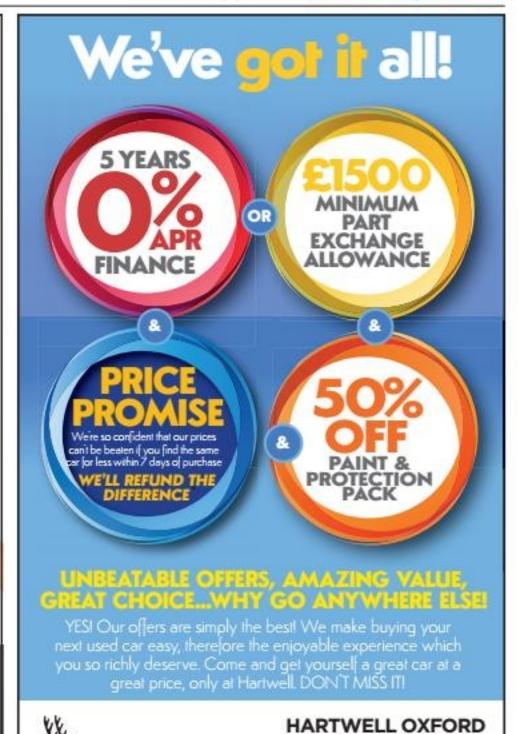
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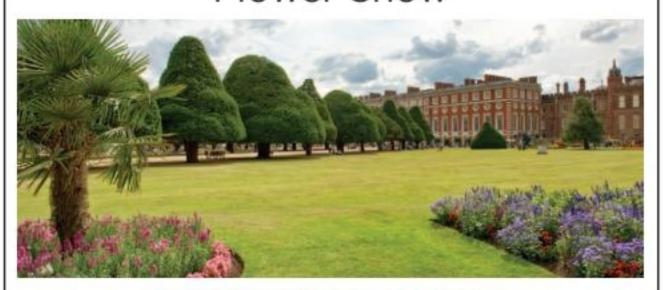
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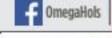
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Skoda Citigo – it's such a scream

By Tony Yates

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I know what you are all thinking though - is it slow? Well actually it nips around really well and it does not feel underpowered at all.

On the Road

The little Citigo is a scream - it's easy to drive and feels brilliant for such a small car, but you do need

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remember this is not a race car. It's an eco warrior that was designed to save you money as well as look good.

As for the handling - I would give it five stars because it's as good as the competition when the road gets twisty. Also, it's actually very quiet and quite refined. While the ride is a little bouncy, it's pretty decent really thanks mainly to Skoda doing a pretty good job on the suspension setup.

Safety and Technology

The safety side of the Citigo is impressive too - with standard equipment like anti-lock braking, driver's and front passenger's airbags and electronic stability



control. As with all Skodas the interior is a little bland - but functional - but I like the body coloured dash panel and the centre speedo which gives it a better feel all round. The seats are very good and hold you firm.

There is also an array of kit such as 15-inch auriga black alloy wheels, electric front windows, front fog lamps, manual air-conditioning, AM/FM radio including colour display with aux-in and SD card, USB ports, six speakers and Bluetooth, rear seat backrest split 60/40, remote central locking and sunset glass.

To Sum Up

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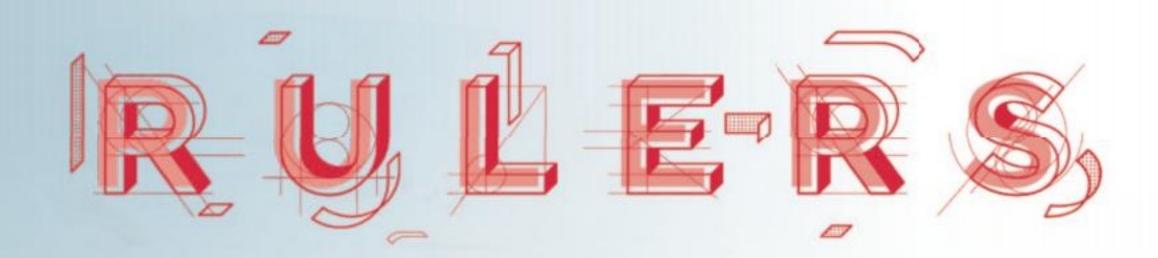
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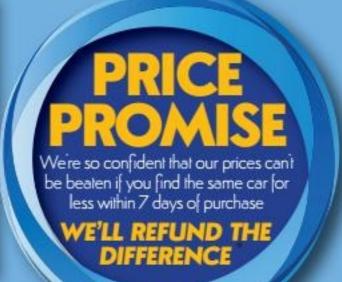
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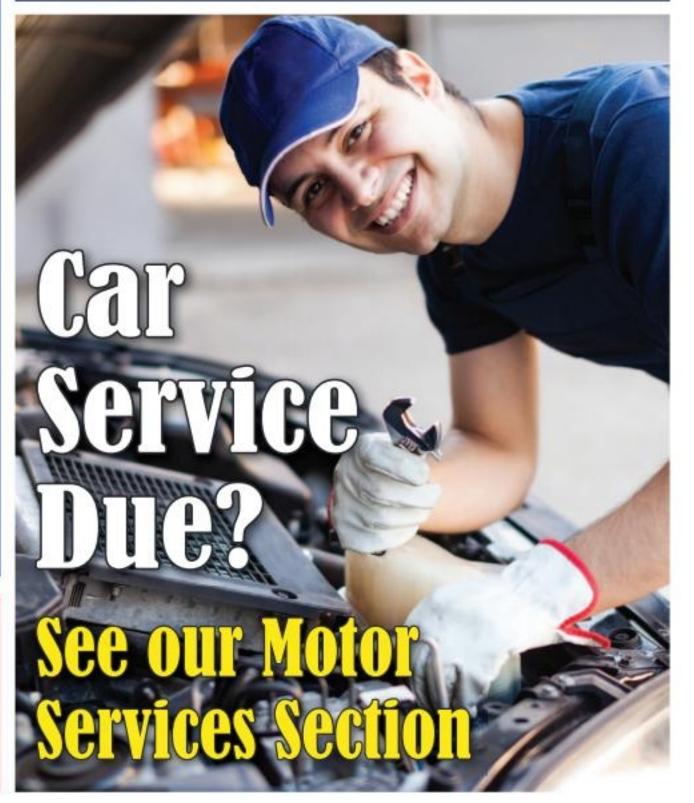
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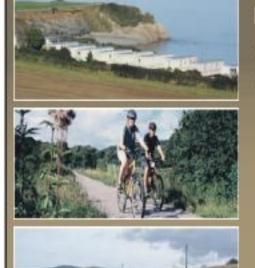


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Saints hope to rumble Thunder in season opener

American football

UNDEFEATED Division II 2016 champions Oxford Saints will open the new campaign at home to Sussex Thunder next month.

The British American Football Association (BAFA) have this week revealed all game dates for the Saints ahead of the season opener on April 16.

Following promotion to Division I at the end of the 2016 season, the Saints will now play in the Southern Football Conference Central I (SFC1) for 2017.

The conference includes the Ouse Valley Eagles, Solent Thrashers, South Wales Warriors and Sussex Thunder.

Each of the five teams will have a full 10 game season, with all games being played within the conference rather then cross-conference games.

This means the Saints will face two of their opponents three times, with Ouse Valley and Sussex being selected by BAFA.

The Tilsley Park side regular season comes to a close on July 30 when they host Ouse Valley.

Visit oxfordsaints.com for the full schedule.

Meanwhile, Oxford Saints Women won their first match in their first ever full contact game.

The Saints played two games in the Sapphire Tournament in Portsmouth at the end of last month, winning one and losing one.

They beat Iceni Spears 18-14 before being thrashed 43-0 against Portsmouth Dreadnoughts.

Eddie's dreams dashed in final round in India

Golf

A CATASTROPHIC final day dashed Eddie Pepperell's hope of winning his first European Tour title.

The Abingdon golfer, who hadn't won any prize money this season before last weekend, shared the lead at -6 after 11 holes of his third round at the weather-hit Hero India Open.

With delays to play, the 26-year-old resumed his third round on Sunday morning in disastrous fashion.

While rounds two and three heralded 11 birdies and only six bogeys, the Frilford Heath golfer's fine form was a thing of the past when he resumed his third round on hole 12.

Three bogeys and two double bogeys followed to finish the third round +1 and Pepperell plummeted down the leaderboard.

A further three bogeys and a double bogey alongside a solitary birdie meant Pepperell drifted away to +5 and a T22 place, although he survived the cut for the first time this season – at the fifth time of asking.

SSP Chawrasia was the runaway winner on -10, seven ahead of second placed Gavin Green to claim victory on home soil.

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F1

By Adam Flinn

OXFORDSHIRE'S Formula One teams are now in the final preparation stages ahead of the start of the season next weekend, following the completion of pre-season testing last Friday.

Williams, Renault and Haas have been pounding round the Catalunya track near Barcelona for eight days of testing as they tried out their 2017 machines for the first time.

And while all the teams faced a few problems at some point, Oxfordshire's representatives were all fairly happy with how things went.

Grove-based Williams were particularly impressive, with Felipe Massa and Lance Stroll completing 600 laps between them in the second week alone.

They also showed flashes of speed, although most commentators believe they will be behind the perceived front runners of Mercedes, Ferrari and Red Bull.

Rod Nelson, Williams' chief test and support engineer, said: "Overall, we have got a lot of good data.

"We've completed 600 laps last week, with the team doing a very good job to make up for the time we lost [the week before].

"We can take a lot of positives from this as we prepare to head to Melbourne."

Renault were also pleased with how testing went, with this year being the first in the modern era where they have designed the car from the outset.

The Enstone-based team spent the two weeks experimenting with different setups, improving performance and testing reliability with Nico Hulkenberg and Jolyon Palmer behind the wheel.

Managing director Cyril Abiteboul



County's teams ready for the off after testing

said: "This has been an exciting two weeks for everyone at Renault Sport Racing.

"We think we already have a good step forward with performance thanks to this car and the new power unit, and we know the areas we need to address.

"Melbourne is just around the corner and we can't wait to get this season under way." And Banbury-based Haas had a much better test compared to this time 12 months ago after setting 715 laps, a whopping 241 more than last year.

While they suffered a few issues with the car on the final day on Friday, the team were satisfied with how things have gone overall in the past two weeks.

Team principal Guenther Steiner

said: "It was definitely not our best day on Friday, we had quite a few issues with the handling of the car.

"But all in all the test was pretty

"We now go back and analyse data, and see what we can do to get ready for Melbourne."

The first race of the season in Australia is on March 26, with 20 races over the course of 2017.

Blues lose 'arm wrestle'

Rugby League

COACH Tim Rumford has challenged his Oxford RL players to bounce back after they were beaten 20-6 at home to Workington Town on Sunday in the first ever meeting between the sides.

The visitors pulled away after a fairly even first half to inflict a first Kingstone Press League defeat on the Blues.

Oxford took the lead on six minutes through a Curtis Macdonald try, which was converted by Harvey Burnett.

The hosts were the better side for most of the first half but were unable to extend their lead and were made to pay when Workington, helped by four Super League players on loan or dual registration, fought back.

Rumford admitted that Town's try just before half time had a telling impact on the contest as an Ed Chamberlain try – converted by Carl Forber – levelled the match.

The visitors were too strong for Oxford and pulled away to victory with unanswered second half tries from Jack Higginson and Joe Hambley, followed by Forber conversions and a penalty 10 minutes from time to seal the win.

After the match, Oxford coach Rumford said that there was nothing wrong with his team's effort or



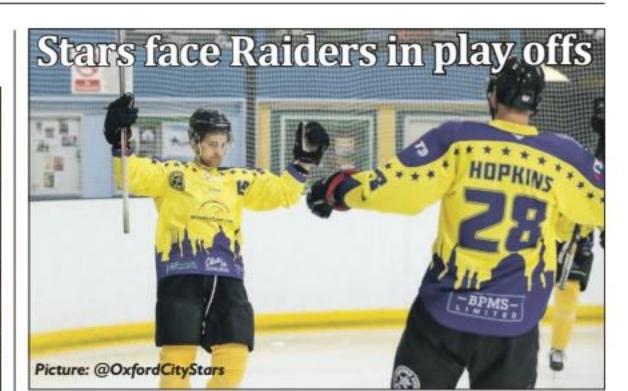
Curtis Macdonald scores for the Blues Picture: @Oxford RL

will but that decision making had let them down.

He said: "We have a young bunch of blokes. Decision-making by our players – and another individual that I can't say too much about – cost us today.

"We want to play expansively, but neither team were allowed to express themselves. We will find out if we've learnt those lessons next week at Whitehaven."

Workington boss Dave Clark described the match as "a game that was an arm wrestle for the full 80".



Ice hockey

A DEFEAT and a draw in the last two regular league games of the season means Oxford City Stars will play London Raiders in the NIHL South 1 play-offs.

Oxford lost 4-3 at Solent Devils on Saturday before throwing away a 4-1 home lead to draw 4-4 with play-off opponents London Raiders on Sunday.

The results from the final weekend of the regular season left the Stars exactly in mid-table in fourth place on 28 points from 28 games.

The two-legged affair against Raiders, which takes place over the weekend of March 25/26, will be an exciting contest, if Sunday's match is anything to go by.

Oxford's Jesse Lye and London's

Alan Lack both scored in the first period to send the sides into the second period level.

Simon Anderson's front line turned up the heat in the second with three unanswered goals – Joshua Oliver, Alan Green and Ben Paynter all found the back of the net to give the Stars a 4-1 lead with 20 minutes to go.

But Oxford waved a white flag to their handsome lead as a Tom David brace and Lack's second of the evening with 11 seconds left on the clock earned the visitors a draw in dramatic fashion.

The winners of the Stars vs Raiders match will face the winner of the Chelmsford vs Bracknell tie in the semi-finals, to be played over the weekend of April 1/2.

The final will be played over the weekend of April 8/9.

Hoops spin out a late winner against Hawks

Oxford City

By George Welch

A LAST minute strike from veteran striker Jefferson Louis secured a dramatic 1-0 win for Oxford City at home to Whitehawk on Saturday.

Just as it looked like City were heading for only their second goalless draw of the season, the 38-year-old target man popped up to all but seal the three points in injury time.

The journeyman, who has been transferred 37 times in his 20-yearlong career, was found unmarked in the area by midfielder Scott Davies and lifted the ball over the Hawks' keeper into the far corner of the net to maintain Mark Jones' unbeaten home record since taking charge in December.

The two bottom half of the table teams exchanged blows in an entertaining first half that saw both goalkeepers tested.

Unsighted City stopper Craig Hill had to be at his best to push a 30-yard Mike West effort wide, while Louis went closest for the Hoops four minutes before the break when he struck the post when one-on-one.

In complete contrast, the second half was a lot quieter with chances few and far between until Louis' lastgasp winner.

The victory moves the Hoops 15 points clear of the relegation zone and, with just nine league games



Jefferson Louis fires the winner home for Oxford City. Picture: Michael Allen

remaining, look to be all but safe from relegation, albeit still mathematically possible.

By avoiding defeat, the Hoops extended their unbeaten home record to six league games and Jones praised his players in what he described as an "important" win.

He said: "It was a good win for us today, an important win, which takes us 15 points clear of the relegation

"It was a hard fought game at home, I thought we had the better of the key moments in the first half, without really testing their keeper

"It's difficult at home on a hard sur-

face, it's hard to get the ball down and play quickly and a lot of credit needs to go to the players, they kept going, they kept pushing, they kept working.

"Jefferson Louis though came up with a good finish and we're obviously delighted with the three points, but enormous credit has to be given to the players for their effort, their work rate and their commitment.

"It's a very big win and a very important win for the club, so I'm really, really pleased."

The Hoops, 14th in the National League South table, travel to 12th placed East Thurrock United on Saturday and table toppers Maidenhead on Tuesday.

Slimbridge keeper Marcus Beauchamp had no chance from George Reid's freekick. Picture: Roger Neal

Railwaymen track down their first win of the year

Didcot Town

DIDCOT Town ended their 10 match winless streak by overcoming Slimbridge at Loop Meadow on Saturday.

George Reid's second half free kick and a late penalty save from Leigh Bedwell earned the Railway Men their first three points of 2017 their first victory since Boxing Day.

In a game of two halves, the first 45 minutes was a dire affair with both sides having limited opportunities on goal.

Littered with sloppy passes and inaccurate finishing from both teams, Didcot just edged the first half with Marcus Beauchamp comfortably saving Ben Whitehead's long-range effort.

The second half sprung into life when Slimbridge's Edward Ward handled 25 yards from his own goal, four minutes in.

Up stepped Reid who unleashed a thunderbolt into the top left-hand corner to give Didcot the lead.

It was a wake-up call the game needed.

Moments later, Reid could have doubled Didcot's lead when he was put through one-on-one with Beauchamp, but the goalkeeper did well to narrow the angle and block the shot.

Reid's miss could have proved costly as minutes later, the side from Gloucestershire were awarded a penalty when James Organ was adjudged to have brought down substitute Ryan Thwaite.

Slimbridge captain Lee Smith took the spot kick, but lacking any power and direction, Bedwell flung himself beyond the ball's trajectory and was able to smother it away with a trailing leg.

The victory lifts Didcot into 13th place in the table, whilst Slimbridge remain in 20th position, 14 points clear of the relegation zone.

Didcot's next fixture is away to Barnstaple on Saturday.

Winning streak comes to an end for Kiddy

Kidlington

KIDLINGTON'S four-match winning streak came to an end on Saturday when they drew 1-1 at home to Bedford Town.

Winning their last six games in the league, the hosts took the lead when Anaclet Odhiambo scored his 25th goal of the season in the 32nd minute but Bedford's Jamale McKenzie-Lowe equalised for the visitors two minutes after the restart to rescue a point.

hosts dominated play, Eric Odhia- second of the match. mbo hit the crossbar with a curving shot before Mark Janes saw his effort brilliantly saved by visiting keeper Enol Ordonez-Suarez just before the

Hoping for more of the same in the second half, Kiddy were sucker punched in the 47th minute when Bedford equalised through McKenzie-Lowe.

The Greens piled on the pressure to win the game, and thought it paid

In a thrilling game in which the off when Anaclet Odhiambo got his

However, his goal was chalked off Bedford upped their tempo as the

second half progressed and Kidlington's defence had to be at their best to keep them at bay, but it finished 1-1.

The draw moves Kidlington into 10th place on 50 points, with their next fixture being away to Barton Rovers on Saturday.

Bedford remain in ninth position on 53 points.

Winless run continues

North Leigh

NORTH Leigh are now winless in five matches after a 1-1 draw with Wimborne Town.

The Millers started the game in fine form having two good efforts in the opening five minutes.

Wayne Turk's curling effort went just wide and Jordan Lymn's low drive had Wimborne's 'keeper Gerald Benfield on his toes.

But to coincide with their rotten run at the moment, The Millers went behind moments later.

Luke Holmes ran into Leigh's penalty area and had his low shot saved by Manny Agboola, but the goalkeeper could only parry it to leading goal scorer Tobias Holmes, who smashed it into the centre of the goal from six yards out.

Two minutes later, Leigh had a glorious chance to equalise.

Captain Lance Williams chased a lose ball into Wimborne territory, ran into the penalty area and clipped a low cross in for George Seacole, whose ferocious effort across the goal went out for a throw in.

The hosts continued to increase the tempo and put pressure on the Wimborne defence, which finally paid off six minutes before half-time.

Keeper Benfield rushed out of goal to collect an over-hit Leigh through ball, which Seacole decided to chase down.

After collecting the ball on the edge of the box, the goalkeeper inexplicably spilled it allowing the striker to redeem himself after his terrible miss, by tapping into the empty net from 12 yards.

The second half saw Leigh dominate the game but couldn't find that all-important winner.

Leigh, who also beat Oxford City 3-0 at Eynsham Park on Tuesday to reach the final of the Oxfordshire County Cup, now face a run of four away games, starting against table toppers Hereford on Saturday.

North Leigh next play at home on Saturday, April 1.

They move into 11th place on 50 points, one position and one point behind Wimborne, but do have four games in hand.

Banbury edge closer to play-offs after victory

Banbury United

BANBURY United are now three points off the play-off places after defeating Chesham United 1-0 on Tuesday night at Spencer Stadium.

Callum White's strike 22 minutes from time gave The Puritans their fourth consecutive league win in what was a tightly contested battle.

Before the match, only one place and four points were separating the two sides in the table.

Banbury had the better for the majority of the first half and in the 16th minute, the hosts had a great chance to take the lead.

Tom Winters in-swinging rightsided corner was cleared but only back to the winger, who whipped in a

delicious ball that lead to a huge goal mouth scramble before Ricky Johnson shot over the bar from six yards.

Minutes later, Johnson put Zac McEachran through one-on-one with Richard Hayward in the opposition goal, but the goalkeeper was quick off his line to narrow the angle and deny the midfielder from scoring the opening goal.

Banbury continued to pile on the pressure and had another glorious chance to go 1-0 up, this time from Conor McDonagh, whose shot from the edge of the Chesham penalty area was deflected over the bar by Adam Martin.

The missed chances nearly came back to haunt Banbury as right on the stroke of half-time, Chesham's Dave Pearce's long range deflected

effort forced Jack Harding into a reflex save.

The resulting corner fell to Drew Roberts at the far post but his shot from 12 yards went just wide of the

Banbury started the second half just like the first and finally got their goal in the 68th minute when rightback Callum White netted in from 12 yards on his weaker right foot, to give Banbury all three points.

They sit in sixth position, three points behind Merthyr Town in fifth, and their midweek victory comes off the back of defeating Cirencester Town on Saturday, 2-1.

The Puritans' next match is coincidently against Chesham on Saturday, which was due to be played in January.

goalless draw for U's

OUFCW

NEW Oxford United Women's boss Andy Cook led his side to their first clean sheet of the Spring Series in his first home match in charge with a stalemate with Aston Villa Ladies on Sunday.

Neither side could find the back of the net, despite Villa starting the game on the front foot and Oxford dominating the rest of the match.

The new-look midfield diamond of Lauren Haynes, Ella Franklin-Fraiture, Emily Donovan and Taome Oliver kept hold of the ball well, ensuring Oxford were the more threatening side.

Despite the dominance, the U's failed to find a breakthrough, with their most threatening moment of the first half coming in the 37th minute when Franklin-Fraiture swung in a cross from the left wing that was met by Oliver on the volley, but she could only fire the wrong side of the post.

The home side came out firing again in the second half, and it was Ini Umotong who was frustrated - not for the last time - when Aston Villa goalkeeper Claire Skinner kept her out with a brilliant save after some neat link up play with Oliver.

In a three-minute spell at the start of the second half Oxford won five corners in quick succession, the last of which resulted in Umotong flicking a header onto the bar.

The visitors found their feet on the hour, propelling multiple attacks towards the Oxford goal but found Demi Lambourne, who was having a quiet afternoon, in fine form to make two fantastic saves.

Chances were few and far between but Oxford could have snatched at the end when Umotong fizzed in a cross only for Skinner to tip away the danger as the lurking Oliver was ready to pounce.



The Burnham keeper is forced into a smart save

Good win, but could do better

Ardley United

ARDLEY United manager Paul Davis praised his side's first half performance in their 3-1 win at home to basement club Burnham but has warned his side to remain focused for the full 90 minutes in the remaining fixtures this season.

First half goals from strike duo Nathaniel Lewars and Leam Howards and a second half stoppage time goal from Jack Heap were enough to brush aside relegation threatened Burnham to get back to winning ways after back-to-back league defeats.

But Davis has criticised his team's second half performances in each of the last three games, a 2-1 defeat at Bracknell Town on March 8, a 5-0 win at home to Letcombe in the Supplementary Cup on Tuesday last week and Saturday's win.

There is no shame in losing to league leaders Bracknell Town but Davis labelled Ardley's second half performance as "slightly disappointing", in which they threw away their lead to leave empty handed.

Davis then accused United's players of being "too complacent" after taking their foot off the gas when

3-0 up against Hellenic Division One West outfit Letcombe. And once again, the Ardley performance was below par in the second half as they let Letcombe back in the contest just before the hour when Jesse Wilson saw his deflected shot wrong foot Nick Bennion to pull a goal back.

Following Saturday's proverbial game of two halves, Davis said: "In the first half I thought we were excellent, we created plenty of chances and I felt we got back to doing what we're good at, but we couldn't get that opening goal and their keeper made a few good saves.

"But then we scored two goals in quick succession and at half time I thought the second half would see us create more chances, score more goals and see out the game comfortably.

"But in the space of a week we've played three games and in the second period of each game we've been poor.

"We've had a chat after the game, I've asked the players why we've become complacent when we were leading at half time in all those three games, fortunately we only lost one of those games but we need to step our game up."

Ardley travel to Ascot United on Saturday.

Chances aplenty but United make good on their promise

By George Welch

OXFORD United boss Michael Appleton promised U's fans they would bounce back on the road after backto-back home defeats to Bristol Rovers and Sheffield United last week.

And that's exactly what they did.

After overcoming an initial 10-minute period of pressure from Peterborough United, Oxford comfortably ran out 2-1 winners to all but end the play-off ambitions of their hosts on Saturday.

United's grim home record reads as three successive defeats, but the rampant Yellows continued their striking away form, this time at the ABAX Stadium, or London Road as it is more commonly known.

The U's never looked back after they shook off the early pressure from the Posh and a goal in either half from on-loan right back Phil Edwards and forward Conor McAleny meant Appleton's side won their ninth match out of 11 on their travels.

And the well-travelled visitors, who are up to sixth in the League One away table, had a helping hand from their hapless hosts when youngster Leo Lopes received his marching orders with five minutes remaining when he picked up his second yellow card of the afternoon.

Appleton was left frustrated when Boro scored in stoppage time as Craig Mackail-Smith scored his 100th goal for the club, but the win also accomplishes Oxford's first target of the season - League One survival.

But things could have been differ-

Pictures: Darrell Fisher ent if Grant McCann's front line were sharper in front of goal early on.

Peterborough on Saturday

Phil Edwards leaps for his goal against

Simon Eastwood made his customary 'worldy' early with a flying save to keep a Lopes effort out after nine minutes.

Centre halves Curtis Nelson and Chey Dunkley also made two vital challenges to help Eastwood out in the first 15 minutes, laying the foundations for another battling defensive performance.

But then Oxford hit the front foot and took the lead on 23 minutes when

Edwards eluded the Posh defence to head home a Rob Hall corner.

And they doubled their advantage in the second half when McAleny tucked away a slick Chris Maguire pass with 19 minutes to go to score his fifth goal for the club since joining less than two months ago.

Lopes was sent off for the Posh 14 minutes later, but that didn't stop club legend Mackail-Smith netting his 100th goal for the hosts with a shot - or perhaps a cross - but it was nothing more than a late consolation

Still time to buy trophy final tickets

NEARLY 25,000 tickets have been sold for Oxford United's trip to Wembley in the Checkatrade Trophy final next month.



The U's will face fellow League One club Coventry City at Wembley a year on from losing to Barnsley in the final of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy final, on April 2.

Tickets flew past the 20,000 mark after an astonishing first day on general sale on Friday.

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By George Welch

OXFORD United's superb five match winning streak away from home was brought to an end in a 2-1 defeat at struggling Oldham Athletic on Tuesday night.

The play-off chasing U's last suffered a league defeat on the road at AFC Wimbledon in January but were beaten by a double from Oldham striker Lee Erwin.

United's Chris Maguire scored his first league goal since December 17 but his penalty on the hour was sandwiched by Erwin goals in both halves to leave the U's trailing the League One play-offs by six points.

The lowly Latics, who have improved since January under new boss John Sheridan, raced out of the blocks and could have snatched an early lead.

They should have scored within

two minutes when Aaron Amadi-Holloway fired too close to goalkeeper Simon Eastwood before Chris Taylor thrashed a volley wide in the seventh

Eastwood had to be at his best again to get down smartly and gather a Ryan McLaughlin drive at the quarter hour mark.

Oxford responded through Conor McAleny, whose shot was parried by Oldham keeper Connor Ripley, before striker Kane Hemmings – now goalless in seven – somehow missed a guilt-edged chance from point-blank range.

The hosts eventually made their early pressure count when on loan Leeds United striker Erwin nodded in a rebound from four yards nine minutes before the break.

United replied on the hour mark as Maguire calmly slotted home from the penalty spot after he had been brought down by Ripley.

However, Erwin settled the match with his seventh goal of the season on 70 minutes when he met a McLaughlin cross to head home the three points at the back post.

United cranked up the pressure on the Oldham defence as they hunted an equaliser but the Latics were content to soak up the Yellows' attack.

Maguire saw a free kick deflected wide and a curling effort from McAleny tested Ripley as there was plenty of late drama but no late goal for U's.

The last five minutes became a siege in the Oldham area with the home side happy to smash the ball as far away from danger as possible.

Oxford will host promotion hopefuls Scunthorpe United and Bolton Wanderers on Saturday and Tuesday respectively.



Vixens come up short in cup run

A SURPRISE visit from Arsenal Ladies legend Alex Scott still wasn't enough to stop Tower Hill U13 Vixens from crashing out of the 2017 FA People's Cup.

The five-a-side football team managed to get to the quarterfinal stage of the competition, but lost three of their four matches in Reading, resulting in their elimination.

Facing tough opposition, the girls took on Oxford City U14s and Thatcham U14s who are both top of their respective leagues in their group, where they finished bottom with just one point.

Playing each team twice, Witneybased Tower Hill lost 6-1 and 5-2 to City before going down 5-1 to Thatcham.

Their only point in the quarter finals was against the West Berkshire side, where it finished 3-3.

Manager Paul Riley said: "I decided to enter the FA People's Cup because it looked great fun.

"I thought the team would do well following the success they had by winning the Oxfordshire FA U14 futsal tournament this year and representing Oxfordshire FA in the regional futsal finals.

"The confidence the team gained



from this, particularly beating older teams, made me think they would relish the experience of playing in the FA People's Cup."

Isabella Riley, who plays for Tower Hill, said: "The players remember the advice from Alex Scott and we got stronger throughout the competition."

Teammate Sophie Harris added: "It was great meeting Alex Scott and this experience has made me more determined to become a professional footballer."

The semi-finals will take place from March 24 to March 26 with the finals on April 30 and May 1.

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